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Gotbaum salutes leaders for outstanding service

Restaurateurs make a downtown-style cafe
in East Harlem their main course



Leah Abraham is co-owner of the popular Settepani Bakery in Harlem and has been part of New York City's culinary scene for more than a decade. Prior to moving to the United States, Leah, who was born in Ethiopia, lived in Kenya, Lebanon and the former British colony of Aden. This unique upbringing lends a multicultural perspective to her entrepreneurial vision. Initially, she was a co-owner of Caffè Bondi, a southern Italian restaurant in Chelsea, and the Bruno Bakery in Greenwich Village. In 1999, she and her husband opened Settepani, considered by many Harlemites and other New Yorkers to be among the leading upscale gathering places on Malcolm X Boulevard.

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