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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the Grand Opening of the Motorcyclopedia Museum in Newburgh, New York, on April 16, 2011

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the quality of life of the citizens of the State of New York is greatly enriched by its exceptional cultural, educational and recreational institutions; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the Grand Opening of the Motorcyclopedia Museum in Newburgh, New York, on April 16, 2011; and

WHEREAS, For years, the sport of motorcycling has provided enjoyment and entertainment, as well as physical and mental benefit to its riders; in addition, this thrilling sport often forms a fraternal spirit between motorcycle owners, users and enthusiasts; and

WHEREAS, Ted Doering, owner of the Motorcyclopedia Museum, and his father, Gerald Doering, have collected motorcycles for a combined 100 years; and

WHEREAS, The opening of this 85,000 sq. ft. museum provides Ted Doering an opportunity to showcase his remarkable collection for the enjoyment of motorcycle enthusiasts and the general public; and

WHEREAS, The Motorcyclopedia Museum will house a collection of 300 motorcycles, some dating back as far as 1897, in addition to artifacts, memorabilia and exhibits provided by the Antique Motorcycle Foundation; and

WHEREAS, The bikes on display include the first Indian built in 1901, a 1897 DeDion, and a police escort vehicle that was part of President John F. Kennedy's motorcade the day he was assassinated; and

WHEREAS, The Motorcyclopedia Museum also showcases Military, Police and Harley Davidson galleries, and the Wall of Death, also known as a Motordrome; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is honored to recognize those special places within the Empire State which provide recreational opportunity for residents and which contribute to the cultural diversity and quality of life in the communities of the State of New York; now, therefore, be

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RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the Grand Opening of the Motorcyclepedia Museum in Newburgh, New York, on April 16, 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ted Doering, Motorcyclepedia Museum, 250 Lake Street, Newburgh, New York 12550.