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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the Town of New Windsor

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the distinguished histories of the communities which comprise the noble body of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Town of New Windsor, in Orange County, New York; and

WHEREAS, In April of 2013, the Town of New Windsor will begin a year-long celebration of its 250th Anniversary; events to commemorate this celebration include a special contingent in the Memorial Day Parade; a concert during the New Windsor Summer Concert Series; a booth at New Windsor Community Day and a series of lectures on historical issues that will be held throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Town of New Windsor will be producing a 16-month long commemorative calendar that will include photographs of the Town from the past through the present; the calendar will highlight the beauty and uniqueness of the Town; and

WHEREAS, The Town of New Windsor officially came into being on April 5, 1763, pursuant to the directions of an act of the Governor, Counsel and General Assembly of the Province of New York; New York's Provincial Assembly divided Newburgh and New Windsor into two separate precincts, both of which, at that time, were located in Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, Home to Stewart International Airport and the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor, the Town of New Windsor is also home to a number of important historic sites, including the New Windsor Cantonment, which served as an encampment housing roughly 8,000 military men, women and children at the end of the Revolutionary War; and

WHEREAS, New Windsor functioned as an active military depot, in part, due to its proximity to West Point, Albany and Kingston, New York's capital at that time; the Fishkill and New Windsor Ferry was one of the main routes used for shipping supplies to and from New England; and

WHEREAS, With good fortune and a vast history, the Town of New Windsor will continue to march forward, on not only the national, but global scene for years to come; and

WHEREAS, Remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Town of New Windsor continues its commitment to enhancing the quality of life of its citizens, ensuring a positive business, institutional and educational climate, and providing all essential services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 250th Anniversary of the Town of New Windsor, recognizing the significance of the role it continues to play in the life of the community of the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Town of New Windsor 250th Anniversary Committee.