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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the Town of New Haven, New York

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 200th Anniversary of the Town of New Haven, Oswego County, New York; and

WHEREAS, This most auspicious occasion will commence with a celebration in the town on April 6, 2013, which will include an opening ceremony and a dedication of recent renovations to the town municipal building; and

WHEREAS, During the 2013 calendar year, the Town of New Haven will continue its bicentennial celebration using the theme "Celebrating 200 Years of New Haven Life and Patriotism", with the sale of machine embroidered lace ornaments and cookbooks containing local recipes; in addition a pictorial history of the Town containing photos of early residents, farm equipment, homes and scenery has been assembled; a Memorial Day parade will also be held, which will include floats and marchers in period costume; and

WHEREAS, New Haven was formed by law on April 2, 1813, and was the last town taken from the Town of Mexico before the organization of the present County of Oswego; and

WHEREAS, Early settlers in what is now the Town of New Haven who arrived around 1800 found dense wilderness and heavy timbers of hardwoods, and began felling the forests for agriculture, especially dairying and fruit growing; and

WHEREAS, The first road in the present town was opened before 1806, and by 1814, there were 12 road districts, with the railroad coming to the Town of New Haven in 1865; and

WHEREAS, The first Town of New Haven meeting was held at the home of Ansel Snow on April 14, 1814; and

WHEREAS, Remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Town of New Haven continues its commitment to enhancing the quality of life for 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 200th Anniversary of the Town of New Haven, New York, 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 Haven, New York.