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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Ticonderoga Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Ticonderoga Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Chapter 1-163-NY, on Saturday, June 11, 2011; and

WHEREAS, The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), founded in 1890 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children; and

WHEREAS, As one of the most inclusive genealogical societies in the country, DAR boasts 165,000 members in 3,000 chapters across the United States and internationally; its motto is God, Home, and Country; and

WHEREAS, The National Society has 38 standing committees which promote its three purposes of historic preservation, promotion of education, and patriotic endeavors; these include educational programs, scholarship competitions, citizenship awards, school contests, sponsorship of schools for underprivileged children, literacy programs, genealogical records, national genealogical library, lineage research, DAR Museum, community service, national defense, units overseas, Constitution and United States flag, conservation, commemorative events, naturalization, and volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, One of 3,000 DAR chapters worldwide, the Ticonderoga Chapter 1-163-NY of the Daughters of the American Revolution was first organized on June 30, 1911, and chartered July 19, 1922; the picturesque and historic town of Ticonderoga, New York, figured prominently in the Amer-

ican Revolution as well as the French & Indian War; it is located on the shores of Lake Champlain and Lake George, in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains; and

WHEREAS, Ticonderoga is home to the strategically-important Fort Ticonderoga, site of the colonists' first victory in the American Revolution; on May 10, 1775, Benedict Arnold, along with Ethan Allen and his Green Mountain Boys, captured the fort from the British; later that year, Henry Knox dragged the cannon from the fort on sledges to Dorchester Heights in Boston, an extraordinary feat which caused the British to evacuate Boston Harbor; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Ticonderoga Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Ticonderoga Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.