

## 2015-J569

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 164th Anniversary of the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps and recognizing the integral role it has played in the lives of many individuals and families

WHEREAS, It is the sense of the citizens of the State of New York to recognize and pay tribute to those institutions within our midst that diligently strive to uphold and promote excellence, while providing meaningful services to their members and the community at-large; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 164th Anniversary of the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps and recognize the integral role it has played in the lives of many individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, Organized by Alanson White in 1850, in Taberg, New York, the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps was moved to Camden, New York in 1942; and

WHEREAS, The Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps was originally formed to play at political rallies and patriotic celebrations; and

WHEREAS, In 1845, Alanson White played for militia company training in Taberg, and went to Washington, D.C. to play with the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps at the time of President Grant's Inauguration; and

WHEREAS, In 1937, "Continental" uniforms were added to the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps, but were replaced in 1952, and again in 1979, and black vests were added in 1981; today, the Corps uniforms are manufactured locally; and

WHEREAS, A non-profit group dedicated to the preservation of a part of our American heritage, the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps is made up of volunteers from the Central New York area; several current members have been in the Corps for more than 20 years; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 164th Anniversary of the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps and recognize the integral role it has played in the lives of many individuals and families; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Camden Continental Fife & Drum Corps.