

## 2015-K695

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Oneonta YMCA in its present location on June 6, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize those illustrious organizations within this great State and Nation whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing tradition, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Oneonta YMCA in its present location celebrated with an open house on June 6, 2015, in Oneonta, New York; and

WHEREAS, A vital part of its community, the Oneonta YMCA is a diverse organization whose members join together by a shared commitment to nurturing the potential of kids, promoting healthy living, and fostering a sense of social responsibility; and

WHEREAS, Incorporated in 1883, the Oneonta YMCA was first dedicated in 1900 at its original Broad Street location; and

WHEREAS, As its membership and services continued to grow and expand, this vital organization initiated plans for a new building which was constructed on Ford Avenue, and dedicated on June 27, 1965; and

WHEREAS, For the past half a century at its current location, the Oneonta YMCA has carried out its mission of helping others by delivering a wide variety of programs which enable individuals and families to reach their fullest potential in terms of spirit, mind, and body; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Oneonta YMCA delivers programs and membership services to more than 2,000 members and program participants; it has collaborated with Oneonta City Schools to provide universal pre-kindergarten, childcare, and Jumpstart pre-school programming; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Oneonta YMCA has begun offering summer

recreational and swimming initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Oneonta YMCA remains steadfast in its commitment to serving people of all ages, races, faiths, backgrounds, incomes and abilities as it strives to fulfill the changing needs of the community for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Oneonta YMCA is in direct correlation to the efforts of its volunteers and staff, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of this institution and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Oneonta YMCA in its present location on June 6, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Oneonta YMCA.