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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Washington County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 50th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Washington County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The Washington County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc. was incorporated on March 17, 1966, in response to President Lyndon Johnson's War on Poverty; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of Community Action Agencies is to determine the causes and conditions of poverty in their service area and assist individuals and communities in improving economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the incorporation, designated Community Action Agency for Washington County, was to promote the provisions of the Economic Opportunities Act of 1964, to work together within the county to combat the causes and conditions of poverty for individual, families and communities and assist individuals and communities in improving their economic and social well-being; and

WHEREAS, For five decades, Washington County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc. has supported programs and services such as Head Start, Weatherization and Community Services Block Grant programs based on local needs; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Washington County Economic Opportunity Council,

Inc. has worked with other vital organizations including Agencies of Washington County Government, to operate Employment and Training Services for Adults and Youth, Transportation and other assistance programs; 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 incorporation of the Washington County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Washington County Economic Opportunity Council, Inc.