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STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY

BUFFALO, N.Y. OCTOBER 1, 2015

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT *at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 1st day of October, 2015 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

WHEREAS, *October 4-10, 2015 is National 4-H Week in the United States; and*

WHEREAS, *approximately 7 million youths take part in 4-H worldwide; and*

WHEREAS, *4-H membership is open to all youth, ages 5-19, regardless of gender, race, color, national origin, religion, disability, or sexual orientation; and*

WHEREAS, *4-H members in Erie County are part of a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills; and*

WHEREAS, *4-H is the most effective youth organization, according to an in-depth, longitudinal study conducted by the Institute for Applied Research in Youth Development, Tufts University, which found that 4-H youth are three times more likely to actively contribute to their communities and have higher educational achievement than their non-4-H peers; and*

WHEREAS, *the 4-H program in its more than 100-year history had continued its strong tradition of volunteerism in rural, suburban, and urban settings in Erie County during the past year; and*

WHEREAS, *the 4-H program, through Cornell Cooperative Extension of Erie County, works in collaboration with other youth organizations and school districts to put research-based knowledge to work in the homes, schools, community centers, and any spot where 4-H clubs and afterschool programs meet; and*

WHEREAS, *4-H National Youth Science Day will be celebrated by the Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program, other Cornell Cooperative Extension programs and community organizations on October 7, 2015, at the Seneca Babcock Community Center; and*

WHEREAS, *support for the work of this organization is an investment in the future.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, we, the undersigned, do herby proclaim **October 4-10, 2015 National 4-H Week** in Erie County, and urge our fellow citizens to observe this week by connecting with youth, friends, fellow employees and relatives, and with school, community, and civic groups to engage in projects benefiting their communities.