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Erie County Legislature
Karen McCarthy, Clerk
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Dear Ms. McCarthy:

Attached for Clock-In to the public record of the Erie County Legislature, please find a Proclamation in honor of Veterans Day honoring Mr. Johnnie Hodges.

Thank you for assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Miller-Williams".

Barbara Miller-Williams
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STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, NEW YORK, NOVEMBER 11, 2015 A.D.

Celebrating Veterans Day 2015

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that at the regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, to be held in the Legislative Chambers of Old County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 19th day of November, 2015 A.D., a proclamation will be adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, Veterans Day began as a commemoration to celebrate the anniversary of the formal end of World War I, which occurred on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour in 1918; and

WHEREAS, Originally known as Armistice Day, a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace, the United States Congress amended the original proclamation in 1954 to proclaim November 11th each year as **Veterans Day**; and

WHEREAS, **Veterans Day** is a day set aside to honor all men and women who served in all branches of the United States Armed Forces throughout US history, the 2015 celebration in Erie County will highlight the dedicated service of World War II veteran Mr. Johnnie Hodges; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Johnnie Hodges answered his country's call during World War II, serving in the Navy on a troop transport ship, plying the hazardous waters of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans at a time when the Army was still segregated and African-American servicemen were accorded far less than their due, he endured this challenge, persevered and served his country with distinction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature pause in its deliberations to acknowledge on this **Veterans Day**, the sacrifices, dedication and service to the country of all members of the Armed Forces. The Erie County Legislature also pauses to particularly recognize those service members from Erie County, like Mr. Johnnie Hodges, who willingly answered our country's call to serve.

Hon. Barbara Miller-Williams
Erie County Legislator, 1st District

Karen M. McCarthy
Clerk of the Erie County Legislature