

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 175th Anniversary of the Town of Croghan, New York

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the proud and distinguished histories of the people and communities which comprise the noble body of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 175th Anniversary of the Town of Croghan, New York, to be celebrated on Saturday, April 9, 2016 at the Croghan Town Barn in Beaver Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, Originally settled in the 1830s, the Town of Croghan, New York is named after Colonel George Croghan, a famous war hero who served with distinction at the battle of Tippecanoe and the sieges at Fort Meigs and Stephenson during the War of 1812; and

WHEREAS, On April 5, 1841, the Town of Croghan was officially formed out of the communities of Watson and Diana; and

WHEREAS, In its early years, the Town of Croghan's rich, fertile soil, and abundant natural resources attracted immigrants from France, Germany, and Switzerland; the earliest communities were in Belfort and the French Settlement, which later became known as the Village of Croghan and was incorporated in 1906; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its history, Croghan has been a center of industry and commerce; over the course of its evolution, it has hosted numerous business enterprises including tanneries, blacksmith shops, cheese factories, gristmills, sawmills, and paper mills; and

WHEREAS, Today, this esteemed upstate community is supported by agriculture, logging and power production, and contains many small businesses; including the famous Croghan Meat Market, which was formed in 1888; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, Croghan is home to the American Maple Museum and Hall of Fame, the Oswegatchie Educational Center, and the Railway Historical Society of Northern New York Museum; and

WHEREAS, Remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Town of Croghan continues its commitment to enhancing the quality of life of its citizens, ensuring a positive business, institutional and educational climate, and providing all essential services; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Supervisor Andrew A. Lehman, the citizens of the Town of Croghan proudly celebrate this long and vibrant history, and look forward to its future; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize and commemorate milestones in the history of communities, both large and small, in this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 175th Anniversary of the Town of Croghan, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Andrew A. Lehman, Town of Croghan Supervisor.