

BY: Senator TEDISCO

COMMEMORATING the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Hope, New York, to be celebrated on April 15, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the distinguished histories of the 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 200th Anniversary of the Town of Hope, New York, to be recognized with the Hope Bicentennial Birthday on Sunday, April 15, 2018, at the Alpine; and

WHEREAS, One of the oldest communities in Hamilton County, the Town of Hope was a land largely uninhabited when John Bergen and 23 associates purchased 19,589 acres from the Mohawk Indians on July 3, 1772; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Hope was settled in the early 1790s and succeeded from Wells in 1818 to form its own town; and

WHEREAS, Located in the Adirondacks, the Town of Hope is 41.6 square miles of which 40.7 miles are land and 0.9 square miles are water; and

WHEREAS, Largely undeveloped with glistening lakes and streams, rolling hills and peaceful valleys, the Town of Hope is appealing to outdoorsman, hunters, fishermen, hikers, recreational enthusiasts, and those seeking a tranquil and friendly place to live; and

WHEREAS, With the Sacandaga River flowing through the western part of Hope, tourism has remained an important industry, and New York Route 30, which runs through the town, has provided travelers with lodging, gas stations and other amenities; and

WHEREAS, Of historic origin, and remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Town of Hope continues to provide the quintessential quality of life for its residents; and

WHEREAS, The residents of the Town of Hope have a bright outlook for the future of their community, which remains a beautiful place in which to live and raise a family; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the Town of Hope's rich history and enduring contribution to the State of New York, this Legislative Body is proud to pay tribute to this spirited town upon the occasion of its 200th Anniversary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Hope, New York, to be celebrated on April 15, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Steven M. Tomlinson, Supervisor, Town of Hope.