

BY: Senator LARKIN

COMMENDING Newburgh Tabernacle of Seventh-Day Adventist Church upon the occasion of celebrating its 70th Anniversary on May 18-20, 2018

WHEREAS, Religious institutions, and the many spiritual, social and educational benefits they confer, play a vital role in the development of the moral fabric of a responsible citizenry; and

WHEREAS, It is the tradition of this State and this Nation to pay tribute to those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the ethical and spiritual values of their communities; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes pleasure in commending Newburgh Tabernacle of Seventh-Day Adventist Church upon the occasion of its 70th Anniversary to be celebrated with events throughout the weekend of May 18-20, 2018; and

WHEREAS, On Friday, May 18, 2018, the 70th Anniversary celebration will begin with guest speaker, Pastor Neville Lendor, followed by a Divine Service led by Pastor Ron Smith and a concert on Saturday, May 19, 2018; the festivities will culminate with an eloquent 70th Celebration Banquet on Sunday, May 20, 2018, at Anthony's Pier 9 in New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, Over the past 70 years, Newburgh Tabernacle of Seventh-Day Adventist Church has made an indelible impact on the Newburgh, New York, community; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous leadership of Pastor David Cuke, Newburgh Tabernacle of Seventh-Day Adventist Church stands on the threshold of tomorrow, prepared to meet the challenges of the coming decades while retaining that spiritual resolve which characterizes its past; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to take note of enduring religious institutions and to bring such institutions to the attention of the people of this Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Newburgh Tabernacle of Seventh-Day Adventist Church upon the occasion of celebrating its 70th Anniversary, fully confident that this commemoration reflects the belief in those values which enhance the dignity and purpose of life; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David Cuke, Pastor, Newburgh Tabernacle of Seventh-Day Adventist Church.