

BY: Senator JACOBS

COMMENDING Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels upon the occasion of participating in the 2017 Meals on Wheels Association of America's March for Meals campaign

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of those concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels upon the occasion of participating in the 2017 Meals on Wheels Association of America's March for Meals campaign; and

WHEREAS, The Annual March for Meals campaign is a month-long event, sponsored by the Meals on Wheels Association of America, designed to generate public awareness about hunger; and

WHEREAS, This year marks the 40th Anniversary of the Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels; this vital organization has served the interests of the people of the Empire State by providing sustenance and support to seniors in need in the Town of Tonawanda and the Village of Kenmore; and

WHEREAS, The Meals on Wheels Association of America is the oldest and largest national organization composed of and representing local, community-based Senior Nutrition Programs in all 50 States; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the Annual March for Meals campaign, Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels will be hosting a myriad of special events to raise awareness of their home delivered meal program including a volunteer recognition week, fundraisers at local restaurants, and a Community Champions Week to be held March 13-17, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Today, under the luminous leadership of Executive Director, Dan Wiles, Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels has been able to assist the seniors of Kenmore and Tonawanda; it is comprised of many dedicated volunteers who prepare and deliver nourishing meals to the homebound and frail each weekday; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels in celebration of its growth and the tremendous service it provides; and

WHEREAS, In so effectively carrying out its mission, Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels has demonstrated the inestimable value of improving the quality of life for New York State's aging residents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels upon the occasion of participating in the 2017 Meals on Wheels Association of America's March for Meals campaign; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dan Wiles, Executive Director, Ken-Ton Meals on Wheels.