Senate Resolution No. 2341

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMEMORATING the 210th Anniversary of the Town of Winfield, New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those municipalities whose rich history, enduring spirit, and commitment to their residents have contributed to the strength and vitality of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 210th Anniversary of the Town of Winfield, Herkimer County, New York, founded in 1816; and

WHEREAS, Located in the scenic Mohawk Valley region of Central New York, the Town of Winfield is bordered by the Towns of Litchfield and Columbia in Herkimer County, the Town of Bridgewater in Oneida County, and the Town of Plainfield in Otsego County, and is situated approximately 15 miles south of the City of Utica; and

WHEREAS, For more than two centuries, the Town of Winfield has served as a welcoming and vibrant community whose residents have contributed to the agricultural, economic, and cultural development of the region; and

WHEREAS, Agriculture has long been the backbone of the local economy, with family farms and dairy operations continuing to play a vital role in preserving the Town's rural character and supporting New York State's agricultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, The Village of West Winfield, incorporated in 1898 and located within the Town of Winfield, serves as a center of commerce and community life, featuring local businesses, financial institutions, houses of worship, emergency services, and a New York State Police substation; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Winfield is home to dedicated public servants, educators, business owners, farmers, first responders, and community volunteers whose efforts have helped shape a strong and resilient community for generations; and

WHEREAS, Educational opportunities are provided through the Mount Markham Central School District, which serves approximately 1,100 students and remains one of the area's largest employers and most important institutions; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Winfield Memorial Park provides residents and visitors with recreational opportunities and community gathering spaces, including athletic fields, picnic facilities, and ongoing improvements such as a new playground and nature trail; and

WHEREAS, Demonstrating its commitment to responsible stewardship and sustainability, the Town of Winfield has recently been recognized as a Clean Energy Community, further positioning itself for a bright and prosperous future; and

WHEREAS, As the Town of Winfield commemorates its 210th Anniversary, it is fitting to recognize this anniversary in the 250th Anniversary of our Great Nation, the remarkable legacy of its residents, whose dedication, perseverance, and civic pride have sustained the community for generations and continue to guide its future success; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 210th Anniversary of the Town of Winfield and to honor its rich history, proud traditions, and enduring contributions to the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the officials and residents of the Town of Winfield in recognition of this historic occasion.