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OBSERVING July 25, 2025, as the 63rd Anniversary of Sagamore Hill's designation as a National Historic Site

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commemorate historic landmarks within the State of New York that contribute to the cultural richness, educational advancement, and tourism economy of the region; and

WHEREAS, Sagamore Hill, located in Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York, was the cherished home of Theodore Roosevelt, the 26th President of the United States, from 1885 until his passing in 1919; and

WHEREAS, During Theodore Roosevelt's presidency, Sagamore Hill became known nationally and internationally as the "Summer White House," where the President conducted official business, hosted dignitaries, and shaped policies that helped define an era; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing its enduring historical significance, the United States Congress authorized the establishment of Sagamore Hill as a National Historic Site on July 25, 1962, preserving it as a monument to Theodore Roosevelt's legacy and American history; and

WHEREAS, Since its designation, Sagamore Hill National Historic Site has welcomed hundreds of thousands of visitors from across the Nation and around the world, serving as a major tourist destination on Long Island and significantly contributing to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, The site offers guided tours, educational programming, museum exhibits, and public events that help bring Roosevelt's life, values, and contributions to reality for students, families, scholars, and history enthusiasts alike; and

WHEREAS, Sagamore Hill also supports the preservation of the surrounding natural landscape, reflecting President Roosevelt's profound dedication to conservation and the environment-principles that remain highly relevant today; and

WHEREAS, The 63rd Anniversary of its designation as a National Historic Site presents an important opportunity to recognize not only the legacy of Theodore Roosevelt but also the continued value Sagamore Hill brings to New York State as a center of heritage tourism, civic education, and historical preservation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to observe July 25, 2025, as the 63rd Anniversary of Sagamore Hill's designation as a National Historic Site and to celebrate its lasting contributions to public history, education, conservation, and tourism in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the National Park Service at Sagamore Hill National Historic Site and to local and state historical and tourism organizations.