

**BY:** M. of A. Lupardo

**COMMEMORATING** the 10th Anniversary of Binghamton  
Porchfest on August 31, 2025

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those cultural events which foster community spirit, encourage artistic expression, and bring residents together in celebration of local heritage and talent; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Binghamton Porchfest, to be celebrated on Sunday, August 31, 2025; and

**WHEREAS,** Binghamton Porchfest is a free, collaborative celebration of music and community created by and for residents of the Abel Bennett Historic Tract on the West Side of Binghamton, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Held annually on the last Sunday in August, this grassroots festival transforms the tree-lined streets, where television icon Rod Serling once spent his youth, into an open-air stage alive with the sounds of over 150 performances by local and regional musicians; and

**WHEREAS,** Musicians perform on dozens of residential porches, front yards, and driveways, creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere in which thousands of attendees gather to dance in the streets, reconnect with friends and neighbors, and enjoy lemonade offered by the neighborhood's youngest residents; and

**WHEREAS,** Since its inaugural event in 2015, Binghamton Porchfest has become one of the region's most anticipated and beloved cultural celebrations; the 2021 edition featured 167 performances across 58 porches and engaged the energy and enthusiasm of more than 750 volunteers; and

**WHEREAS,** The festival showcases an eclectic mix of musical genres that appeal to a wide array of tastes, offering a platform for emerging local artists and beloved regional bands alike to share their talents with an appreciative community; and

**WHEREAS,** Now marking its 10th year, Binghamton Porchfest continues to embody the spirit of collaboration, creativity, and community engagement that enriches the cultural fabric of Binghamton and the Southern Tier; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is pleased to recognize and commend such outstanding community initiatives which promote the arts, unite neighbors, and contribute to the vibrancy and identity of our towns and cities; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Binghamton Porchfest on August 31, 2025, and to honor the organizers, volunteers, musicians, and residents

whose continued efforts have made this event a resounding success year after year; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the organizers of Binghamton Porchfest.