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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Town of Canandaigua upon the occasion of having the Cheshire Meeting Hall placed on the National Register of Historic Places

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those organizations and individuals who seek to bring recognition to historical places within the State of New York, and in doing so, help to ensure that the complete history of our State and Nation is preserved and shared with present generations of citizens; and

WHEREAS, It is also the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize events of significance which exemplify the history and development of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Town of Canandaigua upon the occasion of having the Cheshire Meeting Hall placed on the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, The 19th-century built Cheshire Meeting Hall, originally a landmark family theater and today part of a community-wide restoration project, is on its way to the prestigious list of New York State and National Registers of Historical Places; and

WHEREAS, Built in 1898, the Cheshire Meeting Hall lies in Ontario County and is the first property in the town to receive such acclaim; formerly known as the Knights of Maccabees Hall, and later as the Academy Grange No. 62, it is centrally located in the Hamlet of Cheshire in the Town of Canandaigua; and

WHEREAS, The Cheshire Meeting Hall is owned, managed, and supported by Cheshire Community Action Team (CCAT), a local volunteer group who have begun a restoration project to return this historic landmark to its original glory as a community center and theater; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, the long-term goal involves the building becoming a focal point for youth programs, community games and activities, club and social gatherings, art exhibits, plays and musicals; and

WHEREAS, In tribute to the perseverance and dedication of so many individuals and organizations, as well as in conjunction with the project's official entry on both State and National Registers, a celebration and recognition event will take place Saturday, September 14, 2013; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Town of Canandaigua, New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for the Cheshire Meeting Hall, and for all of the individuals who have worked to bring proper attention to a place and time which merits recognition in the grand panorama of the history of our State and Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Town of Canandaigua upon the occasion of having the Cheshire Meeting Hall placed on the National Register of Historic Places; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Cheshire Meeting Hall of Canandaigua, New York.