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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 75th Anniversary of The Family and Children's Society

WHEREAS, In the course of the development of the Empire State, where shared concern and responsive effort have combined in commitment to service, there have emerged among the distinguished citizenry of the State of New York certain organizations of compelling distinction; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of The Family and Children's Society, to be celebrated at a Gala Event on Friday, May 20, 2016; and WHEREAS, In May of 1941, The Family and Children's Society was established through the efforts of Esther W. Couper and a group of volunteers from the Junior League of Binghamton who envisioned an agency that would meet the overwhelming needs of individuals, families and children; and WHEREAS, Today, The Family and Children's Society, a dynamic community resource, consists of a dedicated staff, board of directors, and volunteers who serve with compassion and integrity; the Society places a high value on quality care which reflects respect, responsiveness and flexibility; and

WHEREAS, The Family and Children's Society serves the Southern Tier region by offering a wide range of programs and services including a family mental health clinic, school-based programs, sexual abuse treatment program, elder counseling, and home care, as well as unique programs such as the Vocational Incentive Program and Family Homes for the Elderly; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, The Family and Children's Society served over 1,400 individuals and families; the organization continues to meet its goal to help people improve the quality of their lives and to follow its mission

to renew hope, provide help, care and counseling, and strengthen people through all stages of life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of The Family and Children's Society, to be celebrated at a Gala Event on Friday, May 20, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Family and Children's Society.