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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 225th Anniversary of the Town of Clarkstown, Rockland County

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the distinguished histories of the communities which comprise the noble body of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 225th Anniversary of the Town of Clarkstown, in the County of Rockland, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Clarkstown is celebrating its 225th Anniversary with events and festivities throughout the year which include bringing awareness to the importance of the history of the Town, focusing on economic development as well as building up tourism; and WHEREAS, The Clarkstown Town Board has declared October of 2016 as Town of Clarkstown History Month and has called upon all the people of Clarkstown to observe October by learning and appreciating the history of the Town through appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities; and WHEREAS, As part of the 225th commemoration, the Town of Clarkstown will be creating a timeline which will be displayed in cases built in the lobby of Town Hall; the display cases will also be filled with historically themed artifacts and early documents as well as photographs, books and paintings of former town officials; and WHEREAS, In addition, restoration of the Vanderbilt-Budke House, built in 1739 and the second oldest house in Rockland County, is underway and will tell a story as part of the history of the Town of Clarkstown; and WHEREAS, The Town of Clarkstown was founded on March 18, 1791; previously it was part of Orange County, but was granted its independence by means of an Act of the New York State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, With good fortune and a vast and rich history, the Town of Clarkstown will continue to march forward as a safe and enjoyable community to call home; and

WHEREAS, Remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Town of Clarkstown continues its commitment to enhancing the quality of life of its citizens, ensuring a positive environment for residents and businesses as well as supporting and advocating on behalf of its rich agricultural history; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 225th Anniversary of the Town of Clarkstown, recognizing the significance of the role it continues to play in the life of the community of the State of New York; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the 225th Anniversary Committee, as well as to leaders of the Town of Clarkstown.