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Senate Resolution No. 1680

BY: Senator KENNEDY

COMMEMORATING the 20th Anniversary of the Buffalo Youth Hostel

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the achievements of those organizations which substantially contribute to the economic vitality of their communities and the entire Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of Buffalo Youth Hostel; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception in 1996, the Buffalo Youth Hostel has been providing affordable lodging to travelers from around the world to share their experiences with others; and

WHEREAS, Located in downtown Buffalo, New York, the Buffalo Youth Hostel, one of the highest rated hostels in the country, brings over 6,000 travelers from around the world annually; and

WHEREAS, Catering mainly to backpackers, travelers and out-of-towners, between the ages of 18 and 35, this hostel has also been a main stop for individuals participating in cycling excursions; in the warmer months, the Buffalo Youth Hostel partners with Go Bike Buffalo

and Breadhive Bakery to present free outside community bike breakfasts and free bike registration by the Buffalo Place Rangers; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the Buffalo Youth Hostel has helped diversify downtown Buffalo, by hosting various creative and artistic cultural activities; during this time, artists from all over the world have traveled to upstate New York to enjoy this new creative hub; partnering with local businesses such as the Squeaky Wheel, Dreamland and others, the Buffalo Youth Hostel presents local music and art; and

WHEREAS, Centrally located in the heart of downtown Buffalo's Theater District, it is close to Town Ballroom, Shea's Performing Arts Center, Historic Allentown, Buffalo-Niagara Medical Campus, Key Bank Center, Harbor Center, Canalside, Coca-Cola Field, City Hall and Naval Park, as well as the Buffalo-Niagara Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, Throughout all four seasons, this renowned organization offers a communal homestead to travelers from all over the world when visiting the scenic Buffalo and Niagara Falls region; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Buffalo Youth Hostel; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledge this exceptional organization and its contributions to the local and State economies, fully confident it will continue the sparkling success it has experienced thus far; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of Buffalo Youth Hostel; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Buffalo Youth Hostel.