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Senate Resolution No. 2501

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING the Village of Warwick upon the occasion of celebrating its 150th Anniversary

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 long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Village of Warwick upon the occasion of celebrating its 150th Anniversary, celebrated at a Parade and Ceremony on Founder's Day, Saturday, April 15, 2017, in the Village of Warwick; and

WHEREAS, The Founder's Day parade was led by a VFW Color Guard, who was immediately followed by Mayor Michael Neward and Kid Mayor Danny Alquezada Madero, both of whom were dressed in nineteenth century attire; and

WHEREAS, During the event, guest speakers Village Historian Jean Beattie May and Town Historian Dr. Richard Hull gave presentations about interesting events which occurred throughout Warwick's storied history; and

WHEREAS, Although the area has been occupied by humans for at least

12,000 years, it was not until 1867 that the Village of Warwick had a large enough population to be incorporated; at this point, the Village of Warwick started its own government, library, water works and "firemanic company"; and

WHEREAS, Shortly thereafter, many churches and the Warwick Savings Bank and the area's largest school, the Warwick Institute were established in the Village of Warwick; the Village's streets quickly became the hub of commerce and social gatherings that it is today; and

WHEREAS, In 1967, the Village of Warwick celebrated its 100th Anniversary, marked by a myriad of events including a pageant play, a beard and mustache contest, costumes and the burying of a time capsule in Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, During its Sesquicentennial Anniversary, the Village of Warwick dug up its 50-year-old time capsule, and replaced it with a modern one for the next milestone anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Village of Warwick continues its commitment to enhancing the quality of life of its citizens, ensuring a positive business, institutional and educational climate, and providing all essential services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Village of Warwick upon the occasion of celebrating its 150th Anniversary, 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 a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Village of Warwick.