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Senate Resolution No. 2786

BY: Senator YOUNG

CONGRATULATING the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Catherine Schuyler Chapter upon the occasion of its 120th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor and commemorate the proud and distinguished histories of organizations 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 honor the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Catherine Schuyler Chapter, upon the occasion of its 120th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, The Catherine Schuyler Chapter was founded in Belmont, New York, in 1897, by 21 charter members; its first Regent, Mary Adelia Chamberlain Ward and her husband, Hamilton Ward, District Attorney for Allegany County, District Justice, NYS Attorney and Congressman, provided the land on which the first "home" of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Ward Hall, now the Belmont Free Library, was built; and

WHEREAS, The Catherine Schuyler Chapter increased its membership, of over 200, during the pre-World War II years, after which the membership, as with other women's organizations, declined with women entering the

workforce; the Chapter currently has over 70 members, primarily from Allegany County, with some from nearby New York locations and a number from out-of-state; and

WHEREAS, The Catherine Schuyler Chapter services the community through promoting patriotism, education and historic preservation at all levels; this Chapter is involved with recognizing those who exhibit common interests in their communities through Eagle Scout, Good Citizens, Historic Preservation and Community Service Awards; and

WHEREAS, The Catherine Schuyler Chapter demonstrates a profound commitment to providing direct services to Veterans and members of the military; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those organizations that have achieved notable success in their service to the residents and communities of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Catherine Schuyler Chapter upon the occasion of its 120th Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Catherine Schuyler Chapter.