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Senate Resolution No. 4629

BY: Senator RITCHIE

COMMEMORATING the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Oswego to be celebrated throughout the year

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 commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Oswego to be celebrated throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Oswego was established by an act of the New York State Legislature on April 20, 1818, to divide the Town of Hannibal; and

WHEREAS, The first town meeting of the freeholders and inhabitants of the Town of Oswego was held on May 5, 1818, at a schoolhouse in the Village of Oswego; during this time, elected officials included Supervisor, Eleazer Perry and Town Clerk, William Dolloway; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Oswego was the home of Dr. Mary Edwards Walker, a strong advocate and leader in suffrage and dress reform movements, and the only female to date to receive the congressional medal of honor for

services in the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, the Town of Oswego was home to David Hall McConnell, Founder of Avon Products, Inc. in 1886, and the Adams Sisters, creators of the famous Colombian Dolls in the 1890s; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Town of Oswego remains abundant in fruit orchards and strawberry fields; and

WHEREAS, Of historic origin, and remaining fruitful over the ebb and flow of decades of growth and change, the Town of Oswego continues to provide the quintessential quality of life for its residents; and

WHEREAS, The residents of the Town of Oswego have a bright outlook for the future of their community, which remains a beautiful place in which to live and raise a family; and

WHEREAS, In recognition of the Town of Oswego's rich history and enduring contribution to the State of New York, this Legislative Body is proud to pay tribute to this spirited town upon the occasion of its 200th Anniversary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of the Town of Oswego to be celebrated throughout the year, 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 Town of Oswego.