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Senate Resolution No. 5089

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COMMEMORATING the 40th Anniversary of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, celebrated on May 3, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious programs and initiatives within the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, celebrated on Thursday, May 3, 2018; and

WHEREAS, A truly vital initiative, the Food Stamp Act created national standards and greatly increased access to food assistance on a federal level; and

WHEREAS, This momentous celebration included a look back at the history of the program, an overview of current challenges the program faces based on proposed legislative and administrative policies, as well as a discussion on how HRA and its community partners can continue to provide much needed benefits to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, the program will included a keynote address

highlighting important aspects of the SNAP program, and a panel discussion to address ways in which organizations committed to resolving food insecurity can partner with HRA to close gaps that may result from proposed changes at the federal level; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commemorate events of significance in the history and progress of society; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, celebrated on May 3, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Food Stamp Act of 1977 Anniversary Committee.