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Assembly Resolution No. 1390

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COMMEMORATING the 50th Anniversary of the  
Rochester Educational Opportunity Center on October  
6, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those commemorative historical events which symbolize the growth and development of the educational institutions which comprise the communities of this great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center to be celebrated at a Gala on Saturday, October 6, 2018, at the Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center in Rochester, New York; and

WHEREAS, For 50 years, the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center (REOC) has stayed true to its mission of delivering comprehensive, community-based academic and workforce development programs and providing support services leading to enhanced employment opportunities, access to further education, personal growth and development; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, REOC has diligently worked to maintain a high-quality learning environment, and has focused on teaching

excellence, student learning, career development and technological initiatives; and

WHEREAS, REOC prepares students to successfully demonstrate competency in the following: citizenship, computer literacy and information resources, critical thinking, mathematics, oral communication, professionalism, reading and writing; and

WHEREAS, Through five decades of ongoing service to the Rochester community, REOC has earned the reputation as one of the outstanding SUNY Educational Opportunity Centers in the state; teachers, counselors, support staff, and administrators, with the support of The College at Brockport and the SUNY Center for Academic and Workforce Development, have operated together to give students the opportunity to gain skills needed to continue to college or obtain a career; and

WHEREAS, REOC's small class size promotes an environment which enables its students to pursue their career and educational goals; during the 2015-2016 school year, 896 students completed/graduated, 408 were placed in jobs, 102 were placed in colleges, 86 earned their GED/HSE and 23 veterans were served; the post graduate full-time salary range is \$26,000-\$40,000; and

WHEREAS, Throughout its 50-year history, REOC has always strived to serve its students with compassion, dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, Steeped in a proud and distinguished history, the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center may look back with pride upon its humble beginnings, find just satisfaction in its purposeful growth and hold

true of purpose in its commitment to serving the educational needs of the citizens of New York; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to join with the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center in the celebration of its 50th Anniversary, recognizing on this auspicious occasion that the quality and dignity of life are empowered by the faithful and diligent efforts of such noble institutions of learning; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center on October 6, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Rochester Educational Opportunity Center.