

STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., MAY 10TH, 2018 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, *That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 10th day of May, 2018 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

WHEREAS, *The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions of Erie County who enhance the quality of life in the community and throughout the county; and*

WHEREAS, *the origins of **Mother's Day** dates back to 1870, when Julia Ward Howe, a poet known for her work titled "Battle Hymn of the Republic" worked to establish a Mother's Peace Day dedicated to peace and the eradication of war; and*

WHEREAS, *In 1907, Anna Jarvis, began her crusade to have **Mother's Day** officially recognized, and in 1914, President Woodrow Wilson and the United States Congress did proclaim it a national holiday, setting aside the second Sunday each May, as a "public expression of our love and reverence for all mothers"; and*

WHEREAS, *Motherhood is one of the most cherished and valued roles in our society, and **Mother's Day** gives all of us the opportunity to pay tribute to these dedicated women who give unconditional love and guidance to their children, and who make extraordinary sacrifices to ensure that their children are protected and cared for; and*

WHEREAS, *Every child blessed with a mother's love has been given one of life's greatest gifts, and on **Mother's Day** we celebrate the importance that mothers have on our lives through their influence, love, and nurture; and*

WHEREAS, ***Mother's Day** will be celebrated on Sunday May 13, 2018 throughout the United States, and in many other parts of the world including Canada, Australia, Turkey, and much of Europe, which makes this special day a worldwide tribute to mothers everywhere.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, *the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize and honor all mothers this **Mother's Day**, including those mothers no longer with us, and to urge all citizens in Erie County to express their love, respect, and gratitude to these pillars and mentors.*