

RESOLUTION NO. 60-2020, EXECUTING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOR RESTORATION, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION THE 1927 "WORLD WAR VETERANS CLUB" AND PROPERTY LOCATED AT 185 NORTH BROADWAY, LINDENHURST

WHEREAS, the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) reviewed a project designated as the "Proposed Historic Trust Recommendation Concerning Dedication of the 1927 "World War Veterans Club" and Property located at 185 North Broadway, Lindenhurst to the Suffolk County Historic Trust"; and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County originally purchased the 1927 "World War Veterans Club" building and property located at 185 North Broadway, Lindenhurst (Suffolk County Tax Map Number 0103-010.00-01.00-038.000) in 1999 and then sold the property to the Town of Babylon in 2000 for the purpose of using the property as a cultural arts center, with the intention of developing a veteran's museum; and

WHEREAS, Introductory Resolution 1012-2020 dedicates this parcel into the Suffolk County Historic Trust based on the recommendation of CEQ; and

WHEREAS, the "World War Veterans Club" which occupied the building was an active participant not only in the service during World War I but also in the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the Knights of Columbus #794 Home Association of Lindenhurst have submitted a letter of interest to restore the building and open it up to the public as a meeting space and veterans museum at no cost to the County; and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County should enter into a license agreement with the Knights of Columbus #794 so that they are able begin clean up, restoration, and maintenance of the property upon its dedication to the Historic Trust; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of County residents to have this property developed as originally intended to preserve its place within the community; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that upon placing this property into the Historic Trust pursuant to Resolution No. -2020, the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Conservation is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to enter into a long-term license agreement with the Knights of Columbus #794 Home Association of Lindenhurst for the restoration, preservation and maintenance of this property and to provide regular public access to the building; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the Knights of Columbus #794 Home Association of Lindenhurst shall restore and operate the property in part as a veteran's museum open to the public at no cost to the County; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) Lead Agency, hereby finds and determines that the adoption of this resolution constitutes a Type II Action pursuant to Title 6 NYCRR Part 617.5(c)(26)(33) as this action

involves routine or continuing agency administration. As such, this Legislature has no further responsibilities under SEQRA.

DATED: February 11, 2020

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: February 19, 2020