I, EILEEN ASTORINO, Town Clerk of the Town of Warwick, in the County of Orange, State of New York HEREBY CERTIFY that the following resolution #R2016- 231 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A STATEWIDE CAMPAIGN TO RECOVER MORE TEXTILES FROM THE WASTE STREAM was adopted at the regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Warwick duly called and held on Thursday, October 13, 2016 have been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in the Town Clerk’s Office in the Minute Book of the Town Board and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relate to the subject matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Town of Warwick this 14th day of, October 2016.

SEAL

Eileen M. Astorino, Town Clerk

#R2016- 231 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A STATEWIDE CAMPAIGN TO RECOVER MORE TEXTILES FROM THE WASTE STREAM

Motion Supervisor Sweeten, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Town of Warwick operates a successful recycling program for Town of Warwick residents and businesses with a goal to reduce, reuse and recycle components of the waste stream in order to benefit the environment; and

WHEREAS, Town of Warwick is supportive of expanding recycling efforts in New York State that capture and reuse waste items that would otherwise be disposed of as solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency estimates that only about 15% of unwanted textiles, including clothing, shoes, hats, linens, towels, and belts, are donated for reuse or recycling; the remaining 85% is simply trashed, estimated at 70 pounds per citizen per year; and
WHEREAS, Town of Warwick has recognized that the New York State Association for Reduction, Reuse and Recycling (NYSAR), is teaming up with the Council for Textile Recycling (CTR), and the Association of Wiping Materials, Used Clothing and Fiber Industries, also known as Secondary Materials and Recycled Textiles (SMART), to launch a first-of-its-kind statewide textile recovery campaign in New York State aimed at recovering 1.4 billion pounds of textiles trashed annually in New York State, with a market value of $200 million, by:

- Increasing awareness for the need to increase textile recovery and recycling and reducing wasteful textile disposal practices,

- Enhancing job development through the recovery of more materials, and

- Promoting collaboration between key textile recovery stakeholders, including collectors, recyclers, retailers, and municipal recycling professionals; and

WHEREAS, Town of Warwick wishes to take a leadership role in recycling efforts to reduce solid waste and recycle those components of the waste stream in order to benefit the environment by promoting textile recovery efforts, and communicating the environmental, economic, and social benefits of increased textile recovery; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Town of Warwick does hereby express its strong support of a Statewide campaign to recover more textiles from the waste stream and to thereby reduce waste that would otherwise end up in the solid waste stream by promoting textile recovery efforts and communicating the environmental, economic, and social benefits of increased textile recovery. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.