

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Town of Milton is proud of this nation's veterans who have made it possible for all citizens to enjoy the freedoms and opportunities that exist in this Country; and

WHEREAS, John Curtis, is one of our local veterans, having been born in 1755 in Fairfield, Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, John Curtis, was a farmer in North Fairfield, Connecticut in 1776 and answered the call for patriots, joining the 4th Connecticut Regiment; and

WHEREAS, John Curtis proudly served in the American Revolution, where August 27th, 1776, he served as a private in the 4th Connecticut Regiment, under the command of Lt. Col. Ichabod Lewis, at the Battle of Brooklyn Heights; and

WHEREAS, the Americans were defeated at the Battle of Brooklyn Heights, and General Washington saved his surviving troops by ferrying them across the East River to Manhattan under cover of darkness; and

WHEREAS, John Curtis, and his family left Connecticut by 1788, relocating to Saratoga County, and in 1795 purchased a farm there; and

WHEREAS, John Curtis, walked and farmed this land until his death on February 19th, 1837; and

WHEREAS, John Curtis, has rested in obscurity in the South Milton Cemetery until his 4th great granddaughter, Debbie McMurray, evidenced his service to his Country.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Town Board of the Town of Milton recognizes John Curtis, and pauses to proudly, officially, and respectfully applaud, honor, and commemorate him for his sacrifices, dedication, and service to our Country.

Dated

July 22nd, 2015

Daniel P. Lewza

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