WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, September 2011 is National Youth Court Month, and

WHEREAS, 1255 youth court programs operate in juvenile justice systems, schools and community-based organizations in the United States and in the District of Columbia, and

WHEREAS, since 1999, the Warren County Youth Court has heard approximately 700 cases of criminal and juvenile offenses committed by youth, and continues to build partnerships with Probation, police agencies, schools, and communities to address juvenile crime, minor delinquency, and problem behaviors, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Youth Court promotes character improvement for youth by creating an atmosphere with positive adult role models where youth not only hold their peers to a higher standard, but also themselves, and

WHEREAS, in the past twelve years, close to 1,000 Warren County youth have completed more than 25,000 hours of community service, education on the legal system, development of skills in leadership, decision-making, teamwork, the appropriate and positive use of peer pressure, and prevention education through the Alcohol and Drug Awareness Classes, and

WHEREAS, all citizens of Warren County support measures and programs that help build safer and healthier communities in which to live, work and raise families and recognize the Warren County Youth Court for helping to maintain the integrity of life in our county, state and nation; Now, therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that I, Daniel G. Stec, Chairman of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, do proclaim the month of September as

National Youth Court Month

in Warren County, New York.

Dated: <u>9/16/2011</u>

Daniel G. Stec, Chairman Warren County Board of Supervisors