

**PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF
FALUN DAFA DAY
HONORING TRUTHFULNESS-COMPASSION-FORBEARANCE**

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa also known as Falun Gong, is a peaceful and healthy self-improvement practice rooted in ancient Chinese culture that consists of five gentle exercises, including meditation and centers around the universal principal of Truthfulness, Compassion, and Forbearance;

WHEREAS, the teachings of Falun Dafa, through meditation and spiritual cultivation, are perceived as effective means of improving overall mental and physical health, as well as reducing stress; and

WHEREAS, Master Li Hongzhi, the founder of Falun Dafa, has helped hundreds of millions across the world improve their health and moral standards, as well as deepen their understanding of life, humanity, and the universe, through the practice of Falun Dafa; and

WHEREAS, Transcending culture and racial boundaries, Falun Dafa has touched the lives of more than 100 million people in over 60 countries, including many people in New York, of different ages, professions, and racial backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, All Falun Dafa activities, including classes and practices, are offered by volunteers and are open to the public and free of charge; and

WHEREAS, The persecution of the practitioners of Falun Dafa in China is an attack on basic human rights and should not be tolerated anywhere in the world;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Troy City Council does hereby declare **May 21, 2007, FALUN DAFA DAY in the City of Troy** and urge all citizens to join in the celebration.