

## 2015-J1067

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Executive Director Philomena Cammuso upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Seneca Falls Historical Society

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Executive Director Philomena Cammuso upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Seneca Falls Historical Society; and

WHEREAS, A native of Seneca Falls, New York, Philomena Cammuso graduated from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in Elmira, and worked at Geneva General for 25 years in a variety of managerial positions; and

WHEREAS, After earning her Masters degree in Education from Elmira College, Philomena Cammuso worked as an Instructor of Nursing and served at Clifton Springs Hospital in such important roles as Vice-President of Nursing, Director of Education, Risk Manager, and Corporate Compliance Officer until her retirement in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Since assuming the role of Acting Director of the Seneca Falls Historical Society in 2002, Philomena Cammuso has rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to the organization, overseeing the day-to-day operations as well as helping with group tours, special events, and students; and

WHEREAS, Philomena Cammuso has worked tirelessly throughout her tenure for the benefit of the Seneca Falls Historical Society, and is known for her ability to attract new visitors to its grounds; furthermore, she has served as President of the Board of Directors for the past four years;

and

WHEREAS, In her capacity as Executive Director, this remarkable woman served with loyalty, honor and distinction, helping the Society stay relevant as a community resource in changing times; and

WHEREAS, In her official acts, Philomena Cammuso was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; and

WHEREAS, With a sense of civic responsibility, Philomena Cammuso has given of her time and energies to numerous non-profit organizations; among her many roles, she has served as President of Birthright of Seneca County, and is a member of the Board of Directors of Kiwanis Club and the American Heart Association; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of several awards and accolades for her exemplary service, Philomena Cammuso was honored with the 2001 Father Beatini Award and the 2002 Woman of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her sisters, Rose and the late Ann, as well as her nieces, Toni, Lisa and Kimberly, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Executive Director Philomena Cammuso upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service to the Seneca Falls Historical Society, and to wish her the best in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Philomena Cammuso.