

## 2015-J3815

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Oneonta Family YMCA upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2016 Quality of Life Award by the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Oneonta Family YMCA upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2016 Quality of Life Award by the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 30th Annual Spring Dinner themed "Otsego County The Pearl of New York State" on Thursday, March 3, 2016, at The Hunt Union Ballroom, SUNY Oneonta, Oneonta, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 1986, the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce has served the businesses and communities of Otsego County with programs and services designed to foster strong economic growth and make the county a great place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, The Chamber's accomplishments were recognized by The Business Council of New York State with the designation of 2013 Chamber of the Year; and

WHEREAS, In 2016, the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce celebrates its 30th business anniversary, which is represented by the symbol of the pearl; during this milestone year, this worthy institute will showcase through various events and activities its strength and resilience as an organization and its confidence as it looks ahead to the future; and

WHEREAS, Oneonta Family YMCA is receiving this auspicious award in

recognition of the valuable programs and numerous services it has been providing the residents of its community since 1883; and WHEREAS, Oneonta Family YMCA is under the able leadership of Executive Director Frank Russo; he truly believes the Y is not just a building; it is a cause-driven organization built by the people, the staff, the community, the donors, the sponsors, the foundations and the volunteers; and

WHEREAS, This vital institution is dedicated to building strong kids, strong families, and strong communities; and

WHEREAS, Oneonta Family YMCA serves people of all ages, incomes and abilities through a wide variety of programs and services designed to meet the changing needs of the community; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Oneonta Family YMCA upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the 2016 Quality of Life Award by the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Executive Director Frank Russo, Oneonta Family YMCA.