

Senate Resolution No. 1103

**BY:** Senator BONACIC

**HONORING** Lon Tytell upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Warwick Lions Club on March 25, 2017

**WHEREAS,** It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

**WHEREAS,** From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Lon Tytell upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Warwick Lions Club, to be celebrated on Saturday, March 25, 2017, at the Warwick Town Senior Citizen Center; and

**WHEREAS,** Lon Tytell is bestowed this auspicious honor in recognition of his steadfast and unwavering dedication to the Town of Warwick, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors, Lon Tytell has always given of himself unstintingly; and

**WHEREAS,** An elementary school teacher for 35 years, Lon Tytell served on the Warwick Valley Teachers Association Scholarship Committee for three decades; throughout his illustrious career in education, he also served as a member of the Elementary Language Arts Committee and as a 4th and 2nd grade representative; and

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, Lon Tytell valiantly served his country as a member of the United States Army Reserves for 23 years, retiring in the esteemed position of Sergeant First Class; and

**WHEREAS,** An active member of the Warwick Jaycees, Lon Tytell served in several capacities including as President, District Director, Regional Director, Institutional Director and Vice President of the New York State Jaycees; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout his more than 40 years with this vital organization, Lon Tytell chaired countless initiatives including the Bicycle Program, Hot Shot Basketball Project, the Shopping Party for Children in Need, the Cotton Candy Project, Easter Egg Hunt and the Holiday Food Basket; he was also recognized as one of three Outstanding District Directors of the Year in all of New York State; and

**WHEREAS,** Lon Tytell joined the Warwick Lions Club in 1978, during

which time he served on its Board of Directors for 20 years, and as a representative to the committee that started the Annual Senior Citizen Picnic in the Town of Warwick; and

**WHEREAS,** As a member of the Warwick Lions Club, Lon Tytell was instrumental in the success of numerous programs including, the Ultimania Basketball Project, the Lions Bunny Project, the Labor Day Race, and the ringing of the bell for the Salvation Army; in addition, he served as the organization's Lion Tamer, Secretary, Vice President and President; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Lon Tytell has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

**WHEREAS,** With him throughout has been his wife, Rosita, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and

**WHEREAS,** Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Lon Tytell has displayed throughout his life; and

**WHEREAS,** It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Lon Tytell, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Lon Tytell upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Warwick Lions Club on March 25, 2017; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Lon Tytell.