

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMEMORATING the 100th Anniversary of Teugega Country Club, Rome, New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the quality of life of the citizens of the State of New York is greatly enriched by the availability of exceptional recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Teugega Country Club, located at the foothills of the Adirondacks in Rome, New York, to be celebrated with a ceremony on July 3, 2021, at the Club; and

WHEREAS, Teugega is the Native American name for the Mohawk River Course which opened in 1900; originally, it was a nine-hole course, situated on the Mohawk River; and

WHEREAS, In 1916, Teugega Country Club joined the United States Golf Association; initially, the Club was designed on land which was not suitable for a golf course; any amount of rain left the low-lying terrain unplayable and the Spring thaw typically resulted in a quagmire that kept golfers away until late May; and

WHEREAS, If membership was to increase and Teugega Country Club was to grow, a new course would have to be built elsewhere; Donald Ross, a famous golf course architect, was hired to design a new 18-hole golf course six miles to the north of Rome at Lake Delta; and

WHEREAS, On July 2, 1921, the new course had a three-day opening which took place during a celebration of Independence Day; and

WHEREAS, Today, Teugega Country Club endures as one of the best remaining legacies to the work of Donald Ross; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the championship golf course, Teugega Country Club has access to Lake Delta for boating, kayaking, a swimming pool, tennis courts, and dining; and

WHEREAS, Teugega Country Club is committed to providing the highest level of hospitality for members, their families and guests; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the seasons, Teugega Country Club is a destination much appreciated by the residents of Rome, and visitors who seek the historical, cultural, and recreational resources of the area; it is a source of pride and community heritage to all the people of Oneida County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Teugega Country Club; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Teugega Country Club.