

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING Louis D. LaPolla upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 60 years of dedicated service to the City of Utica, New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Louis D. LaPolla upon the occasion of his retirement after more than 60 years of dedicated service to the City of Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious milestone will be celebrated at a Roast and Toast on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro, New York; and

WHEREAS, For more than six decades, Louis D. LaPolla's name has been associated with public service, benefiting the City of Utica in numerous capacities such as mayor for 12 years, teacher for 17 years, councilman for 10 years, MHA Executive Director for five years, and a long-time member of both the Utica School Board and the Utica Library Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, For his steadfast and unrelenting commitment to the residents of Utica, Louis D. LaPolla was the recipient of numerous awards and accolades including the Genesis Distinguished Service Award, Notre Dame HS Achievement Award, Utica College Achievement Award, and the Utica School Board Achievement Award; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the LaPolla Business Park was named in honor of Louis D. LaPolla's many good deeds and tireless efforts making Utica a better place to live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, In his capacity as a public servant, Louis D. LaPolla served with loyalty, honor and distinction; and

WHEREAS, In his official acts, Louis D. LaPolla was governed by a keen sense of duty and always showed a unique grasp of human problems; 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 the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Louis D. LaPolla upon the occasion of his retirement after

more than 60 years of dedicated service to the City of Utica, New York, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Louis D. LaPolla.