

**BY:** Senator GRIFFO

**COMMEMORATING** the 25th Anniversary of Mohawk Valley Retina on June 15, 2022

**WHEREAS,** It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality of life in the communities across this great State of New York is enriched by the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations of distinction whose singular purpose is the care and welfare of others; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Mohawk Valley Retina to be celebrated with an Open House on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, in New Hartford, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Mohawk Valley Retina (MVR) was founded in 1997 by Dr. Steven Williams to provide previously unavailable vitreoretinal services to his hometown community; five years later, Dr. Joseph Gale, also a Central New York native, joined the practice, followed by Dr. Amir Yazdanyar, formerly the Director of Retina Service at Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse; and

**WHEREAS,** The doctors at Mohawk Valley Retina have expertise in evaluating and treating complex eye diseases including, vitreo-retinal disorders, glaucoma, uveitis, optic nerve disease, trauma, infection and ocular oncology; and

**WHEREAS,** Remaining true to its mission, Mohawk Valley Retina continues to provide the highest quality care for complex eye disease by equipping its offices with state-of-the-art diagnostic and therapeutic equipment; and

**WHEREAS,** With highly trained and patient focused staff, Mohawk Valley Retina physicians are all board certified and have completed advanced subspecialty training; and

**WHEREAS,** In addition to medical and surgical vitreoretinal care, Mohawk Valley Retina is proud to provide neuro-ophthalmology and uveitis subspecialty services; and

**WHEREAS,** Over its distinguished 25-year history, Mohawk Valley Retina has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

**WHEREAS,** The success of Mohawk Valley Retina is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated staff and physicians, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

**WHEREAS,** This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Mohawk Valley Retina; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and institutions 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 commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Mohawk Valley Retina on June 15, 2022; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mohawk Valley Retina.