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HONORING Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club and Foundation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Organization of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 3, 2022

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging outstanding organizations which distinguish themselves in serving the community and its residents, and which warrant special recognition; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club and Foundation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Organization of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 49th Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, March 3, 2022, at Samuel's Grande Manor in Clarence, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club and Foundation is receiving this prestigious award for its steadfast and unremitting commitment to its Clarence community; and

WHEREAS, For over 30 years, the Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary and its foundation have concentrated on providing support to organizations that assist children and local and global service projects which improve the life conditions for people of all ages and cultures and further promote world understanding and peace; and

WHEREAS, Even during the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, the Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club has continued to give back to its community by donating funds to various local and rotary-based charities, including those working to provide veteran assistance, support for addictions, vital medical care and organ transplant services; supporting the local children and senior groups through the donation of face masks and other needed equipment; working with local restaurants to raise the spirits of first responders and the valued staff at the Brothers of Mercy, by providing 'Buffalo styled' nourishment during the height of the initial outbreak; and donating much needed nutritional support and volunteers to the Resurrection Life food pantry and St Vincent de Paul; and

WHEREAS, Since its inception, the Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club has been actively involved in many Clarence community events such as the "Remember Flight 3407 5K" races; this vital organization also installed a playground for local children, donated a reading bench at the public library, made numerous donations to Western New York's new Explore & More Children's Museum, supported the Clarence youth bureau, and the entire Western New York community as a whole, whether it be volunteering for Meals on Wheels or Habitat for Humanity, or providing financial support of victim assistance programs like those of the Center for Missing & Exploited Children; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club is in direct correlation to the efforts of its members, 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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized and applauded by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club and Foundation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Organization of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Eastern Hills Sunrise Rotary Club and Foundation.