

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMENDING the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone upon the occasion of his induction into the 2023 Oneida County History Center's Richard W. Couper Living Legends Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the quality and character of life in this great Empire State is indelibly enriched by the faithful and untiring efforts of those individuals who have helped shape the history of their area; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone upon the occasion of his induction into the 2023 Oneida County History Center's Richard W. Couper Living Legends Hall of Fame, to be honored at the annual Historical Hall of Fame and Living Legends Awards Celebration at the Irish Cultural Center in Utica, New York on Thursday, October 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1946, the Historical Hall of Fame honors individuals from Oneida County whom have made an impact on the community and the world; it's goal is to ensure that noteworthy people in the Oneida community and their achievements are recorded in local history; and

WHEREAS, A respected judge with a long and distinguished career in public service, the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone is a graduate of Thomas R. Proctor High School and Utica College; he honorably served in the United States Navy and earned a Juris Doctorate from Syracuse University College of Law; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his judicial career, the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone served as counsel to the City of Utica Board of Education on the Utica Common Council and devotedly on the City of Utica Water Board as well; and

WHEREAS, Elected to the first of three terms as a City of Utica Judge in 1981, the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone rose to Chief Judge in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Retiring with esteem in 2003, the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone is a past presiding member of the Judicial Section of the New York State Bar Association and the past President of the New York State Association of City Court Judges; and

WHEREAS, Committed to supporting education and the community, the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone taught at Utica College from the years 1965 to 2007 and served on the boards of many community organizations, including the Utica Children's Museum, Community Arts Council, Munson Williams Proctor Arts Institute, Mohawk Valley Community College, and the Mohawk Valley Community College Foundation; today he serves as the

City of Utica Common Council's attorney; and

WHEREAS, With a tireless and unwavering commitment to Central New York and beyond, the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone devoted his entire life to making communities a better place for its citizens to live, work, and play; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary man has an immensely beautiful life built on compassion, kindness, and respect for others; he is one of the most significant and enduring civic and political leaders in the County of Oneida, and his insight and strength will forever serve the countless people he has touched; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone upon the occasion of his induction into the 2023 Oneida County History Center's Richard W. Couper Living Legends Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Honorable Anthony J. Garramone.