

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMEMORATING the 70th Anniversary of The Arc,
Oneida Lewis Chapter on April 19, 2024

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the quality and character of life in this great Empire State is greatly enriched by the faithful and diligent work of those organizations which serve to meet the special needs of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of The Arc, Oneida Lewis Chapter, to be celebrated with a Gala on Friday, April 19, 2024, at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Arc Oneida Lewis is one of many chapters of The Arc New York, a statewide organization which provides a full spectrum of educational, vocational, employment, residential, family support, guardianship, respite, recreational rehabilitation, day habilitation, clinical, children, adult, and senior services for people with developmental disabilities and their families; and

WHEREAS, This vital agency is staffed by over 700 professionals and enhances the lives of more than 1,400 men, women and children across 50 locations, spanning two counties, through opportunity and inclusivity; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished 70-year history, The Arc Oneida-Lewis has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of The Arc Oneida Lewis is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated staff and Board of Directors, 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, Organizations and programs which enrich the lives of individuals who are disabled and expand the array of available life choices merit the recognition and applause of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those organizations which unselfishly devote their energy, talent and thoughtful care on behalf of improving the quality and dignity of life in the community, are worthy and due full praise and recognition for their noble and dedicated efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of The Arc, Oneida Lewis Chapter on April 19, 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Arc, Oneida Lewis Chapter.