

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMEMORATING the 75th Anniversary of the
Cazenovia Rotary Club

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Rotary Club of Cazenovia, New York, to be celebrated with a cocktail hour, dinner and award presentations on Friday, May 31, 2024, at the Lincklaen House; and

WHEREAS, Rotary International is one of the largest service organizations in the world, with a mission to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders; the non-political and non-religious organization has 46,000-plus member clubs that work together to promote peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, help people get access to clean water and sanitation, fight disease, and protect Earth and its resources; and

WHEREAS, Since 1949, the Cazenovia Rotary Club has adhered to the motto, "Service Above Self"; over the past decades, the club has compiled and distributed a new phone book with information about the community every two years; and

WHEREAS, Due to the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Cazenovia Rotary Club has been unable to produce a phone book since their 2018-19 edition; now re-introducing their work, the club will release its first Cazenovia area phone book since then in early fall of 2024; and

WHEREAS, Continuously kept up to date, the Cazenovia Rotary Club's phone book covers the towns of Cazenovia, Nelson, and parts of the hamlet of Perryville, containing both white and yellow pages; with no charge to be added to the white pages, the 2018-19 white pages had 3,706 phone numbers, including listings for clubs, local organizations, and churches; and

WHEREAS, 96 ads were sold for the 2018-19 phone book and those vital businesses of the surrounding Cazenovia community have all been invited to advertise again in the upcoming edition; new businesses can also purchase ad space and there are also some ads provided for free; and

WHEREAS, The money raised through the phone books created by the Cazenovia Rotary Club are donated to support local organizations and initiatives, as well as used for the starting funds for the next phone book publication; the club has contributed funds to support Lamplit Farm's Winter Fest and Fall Fest wagon rides, Little Free Libraries

throughout the community, Feed our Vets, Madison County Children's Camp, Cazenovia High School scholarships, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library with CPL, CazCares, polio eradication through the Rotary Foundation,

repairs to the kiosk in front of Kinney Drugs, the purchase of a manure spreader for From The Ground Up Therapeutic Horsemanship, and the shipment of 72 cases of books collected from CPL and Cazenovia schools to South Africa in shipping containers capable of being converted into a school or medical office; and

WHEREAS, The success of the Cazenovia Rotary Club is in direct correlation to the efforts of its President and Committee Chair, Joe Gugino; Vice President, Fred Palmer; Treasurer and Immediate Past President, Anna Marie Neuland; Secretary, Sandi Patrizio; Committee Chair, Sandi Patrizio; and dedicated members, whose involvement are, and always have 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 custom of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations 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 75th Anniversary of the Cazenovia Rotary Club; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Cazenovia Rotary Club.