

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING William Salzillo, Professor of Fine Arts, upon the occasion of his retirement after 51 years of distinguished service to Hamilton College in Clinton, New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to acknowledge the significant milestones in the distinguished careers of esteemed residents of this noble Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate William Salzillo, Professor of Fine Arts, upon the occasion of his retirement after 51 years of distinguished service to Hamilton College in Clinton, New York; and

WHEREAS, William Salzillo, of Utica, New York, obtained an Artium Baccalaureus degree from Middlebury College, a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Rhode Island School of Design, and a Master of Fine Arts degree from Cranbrook Academy of Art; and

WHEREAS, Painter William Salzillo began his teaching career at Kirkland College in 1973; in 1978, the accomplished artist joined the faculty of Hamilton College when both Clinton, New York, institutions merged; and

WHEREAS, During his 51 years in education, William Salzillo has instructed countless students in drawing, design, and painting; and

WHEREAS, From 1982-1992, William Salzillo served as the founding Director of the Emerson Gallery at Hamilton College; the National Academy of Design and the 14 Sculptors Gallery in New York City, the Everson Museum in Syracuse, and the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute in Utica have exhibited his work; his most recent works explore the landscapes of California, the American Southwest, and Italy; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that, when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Rare, indeed, is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength and commitment as that demonstrated by William Salzillo over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate William Salzillo, Professor of Fine Arts, upon the occasion of his retirement after 51 years of distinguished service to Hamilton College in Clinton, New York, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to William Salzillo.