

BY: Senator STEC

COMMENDING Connie Wille upon the occasion of her designation as the Dorothy and Alan Booth Distinguished Citizen of the Year by the United Way of the Adirondacks

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare 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 commend Connie Wille upon the occasion of her designation as the Dorothy and Alan Booth Distinguished Citizen of the Year by the United Way of the Adirondacks which was celebrated at its Annual Dinner on Saturday, March 4, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Connie Wille earned a bachelor's degree in Child-Family Services from SUNY Plattsburgh and her master's degree in Health Services Administration from Sage Graduate School; and

WHEREAS, After her own recovery, Connie Wille began her career in the field of prevention and treatment services working in various positions such as counselor, and in patient program director; since 2000, she has served as Chief Executive Officer of the Champlain Valley Family Center, where she feels blessed to work in a field where expressing real feelings in a safe environment is critically important; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her work with the Champlain Valley Family Center, Connie Wille is a member of the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Providers of New York (ASAP) and the Northern Tier Providers Coalition, and serves on the Clinton County Housing Coalition and the Clinton County Alcohol and Substance Abuse Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Connie Wille has displayed throughout her life; 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Connie Wille upon the occasion of her designation as the Dorothy and Alan Booth Distinguished Citizen of the Year by the United Way of the Adirondacks; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Connie Wille.