

BY: Senator RITCHIE

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 45th
Anniversary of the founding of the St. Lawrence
County Snowmobile Association

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 organizations and individuals that are devoted 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 commemorate the 45th Anniversary of the founding of the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association; and

WHEREAS, Forty-five years ago, representatives of St. Lawrence County's snowmobile clubs came together to organize the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association, a not-for-profit, all-volunteer organization dedicated to helping families enjoy winter recreation across the County; and

WHEREAS, Numerous volunteers engaged in a collective effort to develop a safe, family-oriented, countywide system which spanned St. Lawrence County, the largest county in New York State; and

WHEREAS, Today, the countywide trail system boasts 750 miles of groomed trails, and connects riders to Franklin, Jefferson, Lewis, Hamilton and Herkimer Counties, helping them to enjoy the beauty of the North Country and take part in a pastime which has been a mainstay in many families for generations; and

WHEREAS, Thanks to the cooperation of hundreds of landowners, St. Lawrence County's trail system is one of America's premier trail systems and is a major tourist destination resulting in the creation of year-round economies for many rural communities that now enjoy bustling stores, inns, gas stations, restaurants and other businesses which might not exist today without the efforts of the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association; and

WHEREAS, On its 45th anniversary, we not only look back at the many accomplishments of the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association, we also look toward the future with excitement and anticipation of what the coming years will hold for this organization, its members and the positive impact they will continue to have on the region; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those organizations which enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 45th Anniversary of the founding of the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association.