Senate Resolution No. 2439

BY: Senator GRIFFO

HONORING Nancy Nicholl upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 14, 2024

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Nancy Nicholl upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Older New Yorker's Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in The Egg, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, For 31 years, Nancy Nicholl served as a deputy sheriff, playing an instrumental role in spreading the D.A.R.E program throughout Oneida County schools; and

WHEREAS, Following her service in law enforcement, Nancy Nicholl transitioned seamlessly into a role as caregiver, ensuring her father and others receive the support they deserve by participating in the county's adult day program, where she has provided many activities for the group to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Nicholl's dedication shines through vibrant celebrations and engaging activities, enriching the lives of participants at Copper City Community Connection, a center which provides local community events, physical health education, exercise classes, aging mastery programs and more; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong advocate for community safety and well-being, Nancy Nicholl's journey from law enforcement to caregiving is guided by service to others; her belief in the power of volunteerism to combat isolation and foster connections echoes through her actions and words; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Nancy Nicholl has displayed

throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Nancy Nicholl, a very active and industrious woman, has inspired and enriched the lives of those she serves through her volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Nancy Nicholl upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 14, 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nancy Nicholl.