

BY: Senator GRIFFO

COMMEMORATING the 10th Anniversary of Project Fibonacci Foundation and recognizing its "Tap Into STEAM Goes Gold" celebration

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those organizations whose dedication, vision, and service have enriched the lives of New Yorkers and strengthened the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Project Fibonacci Foundation and to recognize its anniversary celebration, "Tap Into STEAM Goes Gold," to be held on Sunday, September 13, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Project Fibonacci Foundation has become a driving force for STEAM education throughout Oneida County, the Mohawk Valley, and Central New York, connecting students, teachers, schools, businesses, colleges, and nonprofit organizations through programs that foster creativity, leadership, and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, Through its signature STEAM Leadership Conference, innovation camps, drone and technology programs, leadership initiatives, and community partnerships, the foundation has provided thousands of students with opportunities to explore emerging technologies, develop critical skills, and envision new possibilities for their futures; and

WHEREAS, Project Fibonacci Foundation has worked closely with school districts throughout the region, helping to cultivate the next generation of scientists, engineers, entrepreneurs, educators, artists, and civic leaders who will shape the future of the Mohawk Valley and New York State; and

WHEREAS, The foundation's efforts have helped strengthen the connection between education and workforce development, supporting regional initiatives to attract, retain, and develop talent while preparing students to meet the demands of a rapidly evolving economy; and

WHEREAS, By bringing together educational institutions, local employers, community organizations, and public-sector partners, Project Fibonacci Foundation has demonstrated the power of collaboration in advancing educational excellence and creating opportunities for young people across the region; and

WHEREAS, The foundation's impact extends beyond the classroom, fostering a spirit of innovation, civic engagement, and community pride that has contributed to the continued growth and vitality of the Mohawk Valley; and

WHEREAS, Now in its fourth year, "Tap Into STEAM" has raised over \$50,000 in support of more than 20 nonprofit organizations across Central New York and the Mohawk Valley; and

WHEREAS, As part of Project Fibonacci Foundation's 10-year anniversary, this year's event has transformed into "Tap Into STEAM Goes Gold," providing an opportunity to reflect upon 10 years of remarkable achievement, honor the many educators, volunteers, board members, sponsors, and community partners whose support has made the foundation's success possible, and celebrate a shared commitment to investing in the region's future; and

WHEREAS, The 10th Anniversary of Project Fibonacci Foundation stands as a testament to what can be accomplished when a community comes together to support education, innovation, and opportunity for future generations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of Project Fibonacci Foundation and recognize its "Tap Into STEAM Goes Gold" celebration on September 13, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Project Fibonacci Foundation.