

**BY:** Senator GALLIVAN

**HONORING** Cortese Construction Services Corporation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Large Business of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 20, 2025

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those distinguished businesses which devote their work and purpose to community service, contributing to the welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Cortese Construction Services Corporation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Large Business of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 52nd Annual Awards Gala at Samuel's Grande Manor in Williamsville, New York, on Thursday, March 20, 2025; and

**WHEREAS,** Cortese Construction Services Corporation is receiving this prestigious award for its steadfast and unremitting commitment to the beloved community of Clarence; and

**WHEREAS,** Established in 1951, Cortese Construction Services Corporation is a third-generation family-owned business which boasts the transformation of homes and enrichment of lives in Western New York State; and

**WHEREAS,** Cortese Construction Services Corporation has humble beginnings as a small concrete operation which was co-founded by Italian immigrant brothers, Frank and Nick Cortese; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout its many decades of business, the Corporation has expanded into one of the largest home remodeling companies in Buffalo and the surrounding Western New York area, offering numerous services, including kitchen and bathroom renovations, sunrooms, backyard living spaces, additions, and even an Italian cooking school; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout the years, Cortese Construction Services Corporation has been committed to quality craftsmanship, innovative design, and exceptional customer service; presently, the company remains the elite contractor for any home remodeling needs; and

**WHEREAS,** In 1997, Cortese Construction Services Corporation won the Better Homes & Gardens Magazine Award for both Best Kitchen and Best Bath categories, and for the first time in the magazine's history, both rooms within the same house won first place; and

**WHEREAS,** In May of 2012, Cortese Construction Services Corporation was the recipient of Buffalo Niagara's Business Ethics Award for its outstanding operation of the business and customer service;

additionally, local publication recognized the Corporation for this honorable business ethics achievement; and

**WHEREAS,** For three consecutive years, Cortese Construction Services Corporation has been honored with the Buffalo News Top Workplace Award; this dedicated business is active in its community through participation in local youth sports, education, and civic involvement to ensure the success of the Town of Clarence, not only renovating homes but also building relationships and legacies; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who 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 honor Cortese Construction Services Corporation upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Large Business of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Cortese Construction Services Corporation.