

BY: Senator STEC

COMMENDING George A. Ferone upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 35th Annual J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award by The Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend George A. Ferone upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 35th Annual J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award by The Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce; he will be honored at the ARCC Annual Dinner on the evening of March 7, 2025, at The Sagamore Resort; and

WHEREAS, The J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award is the Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce's prestigious community service award, given to recognize and honor an extraordinary individual who has selflessly gone above and beyond by contributing time and energy to help others; George A. Ferone is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1914, the Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce (ARCC) is a 100% membership funded organization representing businesses in New York State's Washington, Warren, Essex and Northern Saratoga Counties; the ARCC is a 501c6 not-for-profit corporation, governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, and does not receive any funding from local, county or state governments; their mission is to serve their members and business community through advocacy efforts, education opportunities, and the power of connection and collaboration; and

WHEREAS, George A. Ferone is a devoted and respected member of his community, known both for his spirit of selflessness and expertise in business, retiring from Tribune Media Services, Inc. after an impressive 44 years of meaningful tenure; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to strengthening his community, George A. Ferone championed the construction of a 40,000 square foot facility in Glens Falls which led to the security of 400 jobs locally; and

WHEREAS, George A. Ferone's unrelenting commitment to community is evident in his active involvement with a myriad of organizations, such as the Saratoga/Warren/Washington Counties Workforce Investment Board, the Job Discovery Promotion & Planning Committees; and

WHEREAS, Further, George A. Ferone additionally gives of his time working with Glens Falls Hospital, the Glens Falls Hospital Foundation, and Albany Med Health Systems; his extensive service to his community

and state also includes serving as a board member for the Tri-County United Way, Adirondack Civic Center Coalition, Prospect Child and Family Center, and the Adirondack Hockey Coalition; and

WHEREAS, George A. Ferone also served for 14 years on the ARCC Board, including two terms as a Chairman, and as Interim President, during which time he earned the esteem, respect, and reverence by all those he had the privilege to work beside; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which George A. Ferone has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to George A. Ferone, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend George A. Ferone upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 35th Annual J. Walter Juckett Community Service Award; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to George A. Ferone.