

BY: Senator STEC

COMMEMORATING the 100th Anniversary of
Canton-Potsdam Hospital

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality of life in the communities across this great State of New York is enriched by the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations of distinction whose singular purpose is the care and welfare of others; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Canton-Potsdam Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Potsdam Hospital, originally located at 37 Waverly Street, began its journey of service to the community on March 13, 1925, by admitting its first patient, marking the beginning of a century of exceptional healthcare service; and

WHEREAS, As a not-for-profit community healthcare facility, Canton-Potsdam Hospital has continuously provided high-quality care to residents of St. Lawrence County, currently maintaining 94 certified beds and offering a wide array of core programs, including emergency medicine, acute care, hospitalist medicine, and critical care; and

WHEREAS, The hospital's commitment to accessibility and comprehensive care extends beyond its main campus, offering outpatient health services in Brasher Falls, Canton, Colton, Gouverneur, Massena, Norfolk, and Potsdam, New York, ensuring healthcare is readily available to communities throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Canton-Potsdam Hospital provides care in more than 25 different specialties, including a distinguished orthopedic surgery and sports medicine program, as well as the Center for Cancer Care, strengthening its role as a leading healthcare provider in Northern New York; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, Canton-Potsdam Hospital was recognized with Level III Trauma Center Verification, affirming its ability to meet nationally recognized standards for the care of critically injured patients and reinforcing its capacity to provide immediate and comprehensive trauma care for severe injuries, including those from car and motorcycle accidents, gunshot wounds, stab wounds, traumatic brain injuries, burns, and falls; and

WHEREAS, Canton-Potsdam Hospital is currently the only Level III Trauma Center in St. Lawrence County, ensuring that patients in critical condition can receive rapid, thorough, and expert care close to home; and

WHEREAS, The hospital also offers a fully-equipped Critical Care

Unit and is designated as a Certified Primary Stroke Center, underscoring its commitment to providing specialized care in critical conditions and strokes; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes the vital importance of Canton-Potsdam Hospital in providing excellence in care through prevention, education and treatment, and its evident commitment to this mission; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Canton-Potsdam Hospital, recognizing and commending the hospital's unwavering dedication to providing essential healthcare services to St. Lawrence County and beyond, and acknowledging the invaluable contributions of its healthcare professionals, staff, and leadership in making Canton-Potsdam Hospital a trusted and vital institution within the community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Canton-Potsdam Hospital.