

Warren County Board of Supervisors

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Special Olympics was founded by Eunice Kennedy Shriver in 1968, and just one year later Dorothy Buehring Phillips inaugurated the program in New York, and the state sent its first delegation of athletes and coaches to the Northeast Regional Special Olympics competition in Boston, Massachusetts, and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics New York was incorporated in 1970, with Dorothy Buehring Phillips serving as its first director, hosting the first State Summer Games in June of that year, and

WHEREAS, today, Special Olympics New York is the largest program in the United States and one of the largest in the world, and

WHEREAS, it is the mission of Special Olympics New York “to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-style sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community”, and

WHEREAS, the Special Olympic New York Fall Games will be hosted by the Glens Falls community on October 21-22, 2022 at sporting venues throughout the area and will feature seven fall sports including bocce, cycling, golf, equestrian, soccer, softball and cross-country running, and

WHEREAS, Warren County is proud and honored to be chosen as the site of the Special Olympics New York 2022 State Fall Games which will be held in the City of Glens Falls, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I, Kevin B. Geraghty, Chairman, upon a majority vote of the Warren County Board of Supervisors, do hereby proclaim October 21, 2022, the opening day of the Special Olympics New York Falls Games, to be

SPECIAL OLYMPICS SUPPORT AND AWARENESS DAY

in Warren County and along with the residents of Warren County, do hereby proclaim our support for the Special Olympics New York Fall Games and for all of the athletes participating in them, and be it further

RESOLVED, that together, we welcome all of the athletes, coaches and families traveling to Warren County for the Fall Games to our community.

DATED: SEPTEMBER 16, 2022

**KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN
WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**