

Warren County Board of Supervisors

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival is an organized annual event that enriches the lives and leisure activities of the people of Warren County and attracts people from all over the country to attend, and

WHEREAS, Warren County provides financial assistance towards this annual community event, and

WHEREAS, to protect the people of Warren County, its visitors and participants, legal liability requirements are in place for vendors and balloonists, and

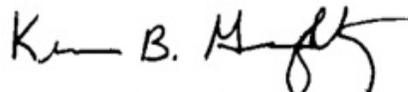
WHEREAS, on the afternoon of Thursday, September 19, 2024 the County was informed that over thirty (30) balloonists lacked the insurance coverage required to participate in the Fifty-First Annual Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival, and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the event organizers and individual balloonists the County Attorney's Office reached out to Acrisure, the insurance company for hot air balloonists and spoke with Ms. Brandy Plunkard, who on the morning of September 20, 2024 gathered together her team of insurance professionals including Jason Riley, Debi Fleischer, Jon Harden and Chris Wolbert, all employed by Acrisure, and in the span of three (3) hours, contacted and canvassed multiple insurance professionals to obtain the required legal liability insurance in order for thirty-one (31) balloonists to participate in the Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival events scheduled to begin later that same evening and continue through Sunday, September 22, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Board of Supervisors is proud to recognize Acrisure for dropping all other business to help gather the insurance coverage information needed for the 2024 Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival to proceed as planned, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I, Kevin B. Geraghty, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, do hereby recognize the excellent customer service and professionalism provided by Ms. Brandy Plunkard and the insurance professionals of Acrisure, to the people of Warren County to obtain the necessary insurance and legal documents in such a small time frame for the 2024 Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival to proceed as planned.

DATED: OCTOBER 18, 2024



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