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Assembly Resolution No. 2071

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HONORING Sharon Kelly upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 14, 2024

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Sharon Kelly upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at the Hart Theatre Lounge at The Egg Performing Arts Center in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Kelly has continually demonstrated extreme competence, extraordinary intelligence, and diligent leadership in her unwavering service to her community and, consequently, has been selected for this most prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, Ever active in her community, Sharon Kelly volunteers at a myriad of organizations in Lewis County, such as the Lewis County Taking Care of Our Own, where she helps to raise money for Beta Sigma Phi Sorority's charitable efforts; and

WHEREAS, Truly valuing community welfare and literacy amongst residents, Sharon Kelly worked with the Greater Thousand Islands Literacy Council and the Lewis County General Hospital Auxiliary; she has also served as a member of the New York State Reading Association, St. Theresa's Guild, Lowville Food pantry, and Lewis County Christmas Sharing/Santa for Seniors; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Sharon Kelly has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Kelly has enriched the lives of her family, friends and colleagues through her love and respect for others, and through the wisdom which comes from many years of living life to the fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sharon Kelly upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Sharon Kelly.