

## 2015-J2567

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the 125th Anniversary of THE DAILY STAR on July 18, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those illustrious journalistic entities which have diligently and consistently, year after year, recorded the history of their communities and brought local news and news of the larger world to their readers; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of THE DAILY STAR, to be celebrated on Saturday, July 18, 2015; and

WHEREAS, On June 19, 1890, Harry W. Lee published the first edition of what was originally called THE ONEONTA STAR, an independent morning newspaper devoted to the interests of Oneonta and the Susquehanna Valley; the name of the newspaper was changed to THE DAILY STAR on Monday, May 27, 1974; and

WHEREAS, Based in Oneonta, New York, THE DAILY STAR is a daily morning newspaper that circulates in a four-county area in central New York state; the Greater Oneonta area is found in the northwestern section of the Catskill Mountains in the Susquehanna River valley, approximately midway between Albany and Binghamton; and

WHEREAS, With a circulation of more than 12,000 newspapers Monday through Saturday, THE DAILY STAR also publishes a weekly newspaper in Cooperstown, THE COOPERSTOWN CRIER; a monthly entertainment guide, THE O-TOWN SCENE; a tourism-driven publication three times per year, UPSTATE LIFE, and numerous specialty sections throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, THE DAILY STAR and COOPERSTOWN CRIER are owned by Community Newspaper Holdings, Inc., a parent company for daily, weekly and semi-

weekly newspapers published in more than 200 communities throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, For more than a century, THE DAILY STAR has remained steadfast to its mission, delivering to its readers significant news affecting their daily lives and featuring in-depth news reports of key local and regional issues; stories on regional business trends; complete sports coverage; specialty reports on schools, health and higher education; and lifestyle reports chronicling area entertainment events and local social events; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, THE DAILY STAR reports on aspects of hometown life important to its readers while providing merchants large and small with an efficient vehicle to promote their goods and services; and

WHEREAS, Our newspapers provide a tremendous service to citizens across the State of New York by keeping them informed about current events; the democracy of our State and Nation is strengthened by a responsible citizenry which is actively engaged in reading and kept abreast of news affecting their lives; and

WHEREAS, As THE DAILY STAR moves into the future, it carries with it the legacy of a distinguished journalistic history and an outstanding record of growth and achievement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of THE DAILY STAR on July 18, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to THE DAILY STAR.