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O'Mara pays tribute to 'phenomenal' work of Chemung County SPCA over the past 125 years ~ Praises the organization's caring and commitment to animal welfare in Chemung County

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Elmira, N.Y., August 17--Earlier this year State Senator Tom O'Mara (R,C,I-Big Flats) and Assemblyman Chris Friend (R,C,I-Big Flats) sponsored an official Legislative Resolution

commemorating the 125th Anniversary of the **Chemung County Humane Society and SPCA**.

Yesterday, O'Mara took the opportunity to visit the Chemung County SPCA on 2435 State Route 352 in Elmira and present a copy of the Resolution to Executive Director Tom Geroy.

"It's just an incredible honor for our organization and its 125th anniversary to be recognized by the state legislature. I'm incredibly proud of that," said Geroy.

The Chemung County SPCA is recognized as one of the oldest continuously operating humane societies in America.

The Resolution sponsored by O'Mara and Friends reads, in part, "Founded in 1891, the Chemung County Humane Society and SPCA is one of the oldest animal shelters of its kind not only in New York State, but also in the entire Nation...A critically important resource, this vital animal welfare organization has influenced shelters across the country, and continuously shown the true character of the people who live in its community."

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Read the full Resolution (J3434) **HERE**.

Read and watch more on WETM-TV, "**N.Y. Legislature Honors Chemung County SPCA's 125 Years in Service**"