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Senate Resolution No. 1747

BY: Senator RATH

HONORING Dr. Geoffrey Hicks upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achiever of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 3, 2022

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those distinguished citizens who would devote their life's work and purpose to community service, contributing to the welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Geoffrey Hicks upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achiever of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 49th Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, March 3, 2022, at Samuel's Grande Manor in Clarence, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Geoffrey Hicks is receiving this prestigious award for his steadfast and unremitting commitment to his Clarence community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Geoffrey M. Hicks began his long and distinguished career in education as a social studies teacher, and for 12 years he taught at the middle and high school levels in both the Belfast and Wellsville Central School Districts; for four years, he also served as the Technology Coordinator at Wellsville Central School District, and

for one year, as Interim Director of Pupil Personnel Services; and

WHEREAS, He then served as a middle school principal, first at Wellsville and then Sweet Home Middle School for a total of eight years before becoming Superintendent at Sweet Home, a position he held for nine years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Geoffrey Hicks next moved to Poughkeepsie where he held the title of Superintendent at Arlington Central Schools for one year before returning to Western New York to become the Superintendent at Clarence Central Schools, where he recently retired after 10 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Geoffrey Hicks and his late wife, Patricia, lived in Clarence, and have two children a son, Joshua, and daughter, Megan; today, Dr. Hicks is the loving grandfather of four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Geoffrey Hicks upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Lifetime Achiever of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 3, 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Geoffrey Hicks.