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Assembly Resolution No. 73

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HONORING George M. Emerling upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce on March 9, 2023

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 George M. Emerling upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 50th Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at Samuel's Grande Manor in Clarence, New York; and

WHEREAS, George M. Emerling is receiving this prestigious award for his steadfast and unrelenting commitment to his beloved community of Clarence; and

WHEREAS, George M. Emerling was born and raised on a dairy farm in Springville, New York; after graduating from St. Bonaventure University, he moved to Clarence and began his nearly 40-year career in insurance; and

WHEREAS, Today, George M. Emerling is the Vice President and Director of Operations for Emerling Floss Murphy & Associates; through this role, he has served as a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity, Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Awesome Paws Rescue, PUNT Foundation, Connect Life and the Clarence Veterans Memorial; and

WHEREAS, George M. Emerling has also been a member of Clarence Rotary for 21 years, serving in many leadership roles, including President of the organization from 2012-2013; he is a multi-recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow and has served as Treasurer for the past several years; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 35 years Dawn, their four children, and two grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence 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 George M. Emerling upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award by the Clarence Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to George M. Emerling.