



A Proclamation of the City of Saratoga Springs



Proclamation to Celebrate Soroptimist International- 100 Years of Service for Women and Girls

WHEREAS, Soroptimist International is over 90,000 women strong and will celebrate 100 years of service, as an organization for business and professional women who work to improve the lives of women and girls in local communities and throughout the world;

WHEREAS, the City of Saratoga Springs is home to Soroptimist International of Saratoga County (SISC). Since 1979, its goal is to build upon the mission of the national organization and to provide women and girls with access to education and training needed to achieve economic empowerment.

WHEREAS, Saratoga International of Saratoga County unites with the greater community to fundraise, mentor, and connect with the public to serve women and girls here in the City of Saratoga Springs and the surrounding areas and invites the community to celebrate its continuing success.

WHEREAS, hundreds of women and girls have benefited by programs offered by Saratoga International of Saratoga County such as:

- *Project Hope and Power*: The club's keystone educational workshop, located in the City of Saratoga Springs, designed to guide domestic violence survivors towards financial independence;
- *Dream It, Be It*: Career support for secondary school girls that provide access to professional role models, career education, and the resources to set and achieve goals, overcome obstacles, and move forward after setbacks or failures;
- *Live Your Dream Award*: Assists women with primary financial responsibility for their families in obtaining skills-training and education; and
- Many other opportunities for women to be their best.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Meg Kelly, Mayor of the City of Saratoga Springs, proclaim January through October 2021 as the ten-month celebration of Soroptimist International for its 100th anniversary and express appreciation to the Saratoga Chapter for their many contributions to our community, AND I invite all businesses and community members to join in the activities in commemoration with Soroptimist International of Saratoga County, and to recognize its positive impact of service to the women and girls in our community.

DATED: 1/26/21

Meg Kelly, Mayor

