

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

Mayor Joanne D. Yepsen Commissioner Michele Madigan Commissioner Anthony Scirocco Commissioner Christian Mathiesen Commissioner John P. Franck

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Saratoga Springs as follows: WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show has been a charity event in continuous operation for the past 55 years; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse show is the first outdoor, volunteer, charity, 3-ring Premier Horse Show of the season in the Northeast, recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF), the United States Hunter – Jumper Association (USHJA), the Professional Horseman's Association of America (PHA), the Tri-County Riding Association (TCRA), the Capital District Hunter-Jumper Council (CDHJC), the North America League, the Marshall and Sterling League, and the Show Jumping Hall of Fame and Museum; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show attracts competitors from up and down the east coast, from eastern Canada and as far west as the Mississippi River, bringing 1,000 – 1,200 horsemen and their families to the area each week; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show stimulates the economy of Saratoga Springs and Saratoga County by more than \$5 million for the two week show; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show spends close to a quarter million dollars locally; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show over its past 55 years has brought the City of Saratoga Springs a different branch of equestrian enterprise; and

WHEREAS, in the past two years alone, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show, with the help of its many volunteers and under the guidance of the Capital Fund of Saratoga County, Inc. has returned over \$80,000 to over 30 different not-for-profit groups in Saratoga County that are helping others in need; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga Springs Horse Show has stimulated volunteers to take ownership of the show by having them choose the charities that will benefit from the show each year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows

- This City Council expresses its appreciation of the dedicated volunteers, organizers, staff, and participants of the Saratoga Springs Horse Show, and of their outstanding work helping people in need.
- This City Council extends to the volunteers, organizers, staff, and participants of the Saratoga Springs Horse Show our very best wishes for a successful and rewarding show in 2014, and hereby declares the month of May 2014 as Saratoga Springs Horse Show Month.

Ayes: ____ Nays: ____

Dated: April 15, 2014

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY

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John P. Franck, City Clerk