

# PROCLAMATION



*Office of the Mayor*  
City of Oneida, New York

WHEREAS, in 1871, the Ladies Legal Aid Society organized the Ladies Home of Madison County to serve the poor and indigent of all ages and both sexes, and in 1873, the Society began to focus its attention on the needs of homeless older women, **and**

WHEREAS, in 1882, a formal resolution was made by the Legal Aid Society members to establish a home for homeless old ladies in the County of Madison and through pledges and donations, the home opened on the corner of Stone and West Streets in Oneida to serve needy persons of all ages; **and**

WHEREAS, in 1886, a State charter naming the association the "Old Ladies Home of Madison County" was obtained by the Board of Managers who continued to operate the facility, **and**

WHEREAS, as space became limited, the Board of Managers starting giving serious consideration to building a new home and the property on the corner of Main and Jenkins was purchased, **and**

WHEREAS, after a major fund raising campaign, the "Old Ladies Home of Madison County" formally opened with much fanfare at its new location on the corner of Main and Jenkins Street on May 12, 1915, **and**

WHEREAS, in the early 1970's, the Old Ladies Home was renamed "The Hazel Carpenter Home" in honor of a beloved woman who was President of the Board for many years, **and**

WHEREAS, the "The Hazel Carpenter Home" is celebrating the 100 year anniversary of the 1915 opening of its new and current location, **now therefore**

I, **ALDEN M. SMITH**, Mayor of the City of Oneida do hereby proclaim October 13, 2015 as

## **THE HAZEL CARPENTER HOME DAY**

in the City of Oneida and encourage all citizens to recognize the many years of charitable service, hard work and dedication by the Board, the numerous volunteers and employees to meet the needs of the elderly.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and place the official seal of the City of Oneida on this 9th day of October, 2015

  
Alden M. Smith, Mayor