

Proclamation

City of Oneida Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, the Oneida Jazz Festival was founded in 1988 by Mr. Timothy Watson to further jazz education in central New York with twelve bands competing in the first year of its inception, **and**

WHEREAS, over the years the Oneida Jazz Festival has grown into a two day event with more than 120 schools from around New York State competing for the Frank Mantooth Outstanding Musician Award, the Director of the Year, recognition as All-Stars and Outstanding Sections, as well as to take home the Gold, Silver or Bronze, **and**

WHEREAS, each year students are provided the opportunity for interaction and education from some of the best jazz artists in the business, who come from all over the United States, **and**

WHEREAS, the Oneida Jazz Festival, under the direction of Mr. David Hawthorne, with the assistance of Mrs. Marjorie Hawthorne, Mr. Nicholas Anderalli, Mrs. Kathryn Dimmel, and the Oneida Music Boosters, has continued its quality of excellence and high level of education, **and**

WHEREAS, the Oneida Jazz Festival is celebrating its 30th year, **now therefore**

I, **Leo N. Matzke**, Mayor of the City of Oneida do hereby proclaim March 9 and 10, 2017 as

“Oneida Jazz Festival Days”

in the City of Oneida, and urge all citizens to applaud the dedication of these Oneida educators and their impact on thousands of students who have participated in this festival and to enjoy the spirit and rhythm of the music!



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Oneida to be imprinted on this 9th day of March, 2017.


LEO N. MATZKE