

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., FEBRUARY 16, 2023 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT *at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the Old County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, February 16th, 2023 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:*

Recognizing Mary Jo Fisher
for being the first female Firefighter in Elma's history

WHEREAS, *the Erie County Legislature is pleased to honor individuals and institutions in our community who enhance the quality of life for their family, friends, and neighbors through their conscientious and selfless service; and*

WHEREAS, *it is suitable for this legislative body to recognize individuals who serve this great community through their hard work, professionalism, and dedication; and*

WHEREAS, *The Blossom Fire Company was established in 1872 and became only the fourth volunteer fire company in all of Erie County which served the towns of Elma, and Marilla, and currently serves the neighborhood north of Clinton Street to Bullis Road; and*

WHEREAS, *Mary Jo Fisher became the first female firefighter in the Town of Elma's history when she joined the Blossom Volunteer Fire Company in 1977, which has led to over forty-five years of continuous service with the fire hall; and*

WHEREAS, *Mary Jo Fisher has served for many years in the position of First Aid Captain and also spent many years serving as Recording Secretary for the fire company's administrative branch; and*

WHEREAS, *Mary Jo Fisher has dedicated countless hours to support and improve the Blossom Volunteer Fire Company by assisting with fundraising events, and community service projects such as meal delivery and setup for Danny's Helping Hands, and is widely considered to be an invaluable asset to the fire company.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, *the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor and recognize **Mary Jo Fisher** for being the first female firefighter in Elma history and for serving her community for over forty-five years.*

JAMES MALCZEWSKI

Erie County Legislator, 10th District