

STATE OF NEW YORK  
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY  
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*Honoring Emily Anne Robinson as Citizen of the Month  
February 2023*

**WHEREAS, *Emily Anne Robinson***, was born to the late Leila M. Rainey and late Larry D. Robinson in Buffalo, was the youngest of five girls in her family; and

**WHEREAS**, from a very early age, Emily walked in the footsteps of her mother, who instilled in her the importance of hard work, the love of God and the love of humanity; and

**WHEREAS**, Emily graduated from Kensington High School and received a certificate from the Buffalo Vocational Technical Center in the field of Business and Court Reporting; and

**WHEREAS**, Emily would continue to excel academically as a graduate of the Kensington Business Institute where she earned her certificate in Word Processing #2; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, she also earned two associate degrees, one from Villa Maria College, majoring in Early Childhood Education and the other from Miller-Motto College, majoring in Management; and

**WHEREAS**, after completing her education, Robinson took her educational background to serve our community with gratitude as president of the Kenfield-Langfield Development and Executive Director of the Martha Mitchell Center; and

**WHEREAS**, under her leadership, Emily coordinated and facilitated programs that would have an immediate impact in her community; and

**WHEREAS**, Emily coordinated a women's support group in collaboration with Catholic Charities, created family-oriented resources to assist individuals & families, and counseled residents on resume building and job searching; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to coordinating workforce readiness opportunities locally, Emily has also facilitated special projects such as National Night Out, an annual event in collaboration with local law enforcement, several vendors, providing amusement rides and a petting zoo for the youth; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Robinson partnered with the Marines and Salvation Army to bring the Toys for Tots Program to the Martha Mitchell Center, creating an opportunity to collect new, unwrapped toys each year and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts; and

**WHEREAS**, one of Emily's most valuable projects, Dear to be Great Program, is a program that has assisted youth ages 5 through 12 by providing academic support, guest speakers, and and a successful drill team; and

**WHEREAS**, through her exceptional rapport with the Erie County Department of Social Services' Foster Care & Adoption Emily, Emily led an effort to actively engage in parenting as she served over 100 foster children in her home and adopted 3 from birth; and

**WHEREAS**, one of Emily's favorite slogans' "Walking in Destiny Everyday... Enlarging My Vision", which shows her value of the importance of walking in the Will of God, with the understanding that all things work together in giving her a greater vision of her purpose in life; and

**WHEREAS**, locally, Emily has served as a proud member of Faith for over 30 years, a loyal member of UNITY Coalition for over 10 years as well as representing our community as a committeewoman in the University District for over 8 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Robinson will be taking on a new adventure in her new role as an Emergency Health Associate in Maine, as she will continue to serve the underserved and overlooked in reviewing and processing applications to ensure individuals receive benefits such as SNAP, SSI, Medicaid, Medicare and many more benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, her unprecedented journey thus far is nothing short of extraordinary and it is with great admiration that this Honorable Body acknowledges and thanks, *Emily Robinson*, for her leadership, solidifying her impact and her genuine character through her work and service to the community in building a better society.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby honor, *Emily Anne Robinson* as the Erie County Legislature's Citizen of the Month for February 2023 for her exceptional dedication and noble service to the community, along with her tireless efforts to improve lives in the City of Buffalo and throughout Erie County.

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**Hon. April N.M. Baskin**  
*Erie County Legislator, 2<sup>nd</sup> District*