COUNTY OF TIOGA EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The first case of COVID-19 in New York State was confirmed on March 1, 2020 and the State quickly became the epicenter of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County, in conjunction with the Tioga County Public Health Department, declared a State of Emergency effective March 14, 2020 in response to the first positive case of COVID-19 identified in Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health Department has taken aggressive steps to curb the spread of this virus by keeping our citizens well-informed and educated on the safety protocols; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health has worked tirelessly serving the citizens of Tioga County since the onset of this virus by monitoring and managing caseloads, working with families exposed or diagnosed with COVID-19, and contact tracing; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Tioga County benefit from the knowledge, expertise, commitment, and dedication of the Tioga County Public Health Department that is working seven days a week to keep them informed and safe; and

WHEREAS: Public Health efforts alone cannot accomplish the goal of maintaining a healthier community without the cooperation of community partnerships and individuals doing their part by practicing social distancing, good hygiene, and wearing masks when social distancing cannot be attained; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Legislature does publicly recognize, commend, and thank all the Tioga County Public Health Department employees for their swift responsiveness and tireless efforts to go above and beyond during the COVID-19 pandemic for the well-being of our citizens; therefore

THE TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE does hereby proclaim and designate on behalf of Tioga County and its citizens August 11, 2020 as

TIOGA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY

in the County of Tioga, New York, and call upon all of its citizens to join with us in recognizing this Department's outstanding efforts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dated: August 11, 2020

MARTHA SAUERBREY, CHAIR TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE