Citation

Whereas, the Empire State is proud to bestow commendation upon those individuals who serve New Yorkers with distinction and it is therefore appropriate to recognize Terry Martino for her exceptional leadership and dedicated service to the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) and the State of New York; and

Whereas, the Adirondacks are a unique and beautiful region of New York State, and a crowning jewel in our nation’s environmental heritage, and the Adirondack Park is a national treasure recognized for its natural splendor and rich history, its 6.1 million acres a mixture of public and private lands that include approximately 2.6 million acres of “forever wild” forest preserve lands and approximately 3.4 million acres of privately owned land devoted to forestry, agriculture, and open space recreation; and

Whereas, in July of 2009, Terry Martino was appointed to the position of Executive Director at the Adirondack Park Agency, where she has worked tirelessly to uphold the Agency’s responsibility to maintain protection of the forest preserve, oversee development proposals of the privately owned lands, and advance the APA’s mission to protect the public and private resources of the Park; and

Whereas, guided by her concern for our environmental and natural resources, and her dedication to safe and enjoyable recreational and interpretive opportunities for visitors to the Adirondack Park, Terry Martino has provided sound stewardship, ushering this preserved wilderness through many projects and some of the most transformative and prosperous periods in APA history; and

Whereas, under Terry Martino’s leadership, the APA’s Enforcement Division has been reorganized and improved through the implementation of a new training program and new management resources that enable Agency staff to carry out its work to protect the public and private lands of the Adirondack Park more effectively; and

Whereas, Terry Martino has shared a wealth of expertise gained during her long career, including as Executive Director at the Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA) for more than two decades, where she oversaw a wide range of local and regional projects and worked to maintain a balance between economic vitality and the preservation of natural resources; and

Whereas, Terry Martino’s efforts have enhanced Adirondack Park as an incomparable destination for visitors while further preserving the natural resources and the unique and abundant treasures of the Park and New York’s North Country; and

Whereas, in recognition of her leadership and commitment to building a stronger future for Adirondack Park, Terry Martino has earned respect and admiration from her colleagues and entire environmental family, and her many significant contributions to our state and its residents will continue to have an impact for years to come; as she concludes her tenure with the Adirondack Park Agency, I extend gratitude to Terry for her dedicated service and leadership, and am joined by all New Yorkers in wishing her much happiness;

Now, Therefore, I, Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby confer this Citation upon

TERRY MARTINO

in honor of her exemplary service and enduring contributions to our magnificent Adirondack Park and great Empire State.

[Signature]
Governor
March 10, 2022