



Tompkins County Legislature

Governor Daniel D. Tompkins Building
Ithaca, NY 14850

Meeting: 12/20/16 05:30 PM
Department: Office for the Aging
Category: Awards and Recognition
Functional Category: Foodnet

SCHEDULED

RESOLUTION NO. *DOC ID: 6715*

1 **Resolution in Appreciation of Steve Griffin - Foodnet**

2 WHEREAS, Steve Griffin has devoted 40 years to supporting the nutritional health and well-being of
3 Tompkins County older adults, and

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5 WHEREAS, after graduating from Cornell in 1976, Steve began addressing the dietary needs of seniors by
6 working for the local Salvation Army in its nutrition for the elderly program, and

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8 WHEREAS, in 1986, the entity known as Foodnet was incorporated, with Steve appointed as the Nutrition
9 Program Director, and

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11 WHEREAS, under Steve's leadership, Foodnet has grown from a budget of \$122,500 to \$1,200,000, with 15
12 full-time and 7 part-time staff, as well as 9 daily volunteers, preparing and delivering fresh hot meals to older adults 5
13 days per week, and

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15 WHEREAS, the services of Foodnet touch the lives of over 400 Tompkins County residents each day, meeting
16 their nutritional needs as well as providing them with important daily social contact, and

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18 WHEREAS, Steve is described by staff, colleagues, and clients as a compassionate and dedicated leader,
19 known for his integrity, his competence, and his unfailing courtesy to all, and

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21 WHEREAS, Steve leaves a legacy of service, caring and generosity that has made this community a stronger
22 and better place, now therefore be it

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24 RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Health and Human Services Committee, That the Tompkins County
25 Legislature recognizes the significant contributions Steve has made to improve the health and quality of life for older
26 adults in Tompkins County,

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28 RESOLVED, further, That the Tompkins County Legislature extends its sincere gratitude and appreciation to
29 Steve for his dedicated service, and wishes him the very best in retirement.

30 **SEQR ACTION: TYPE II-20**