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## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Tompkins County recognizes the compassion of people in the community and reaffirms their commitment to care for one another in times of crisis, and

WHEREAS, this generous spirit is woven into the fabric of our community and advances the humanitarian legacy of the American Red Cross founder Clara Barton who was one of the most honored women in our Country's history, who nobly dedicated herself to alleviating suffering, and

WHEREAS, Tompkins County will exemplify Barton's commitment as they step up to provide a beacon of hope for our neighbors in need, and

WHEREAS, that through their voluntary and selfless contributions, they make a lifesaving difference in people's darkest hours, whether it's delivering shelter, food and comfort during disasters; providing critical blood donations for hospital patients; supporting military families, veterans and caregivers through the unique challenges of service; saving lives with first aid, CPR and other skills; or delivering aid and reconnecting loved ones separated by global crises, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Tompkins County Legislature does hereby proclaim March 2024 as

## AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH

in honor of those who lead with their hearts to serve people in need, and we ask Tompkins County to join in this commitment to strengthen the Community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Dan Klein, have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the great seal of Tompkins County, State of New York, on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

Dan Klein, Chair Tompkins County Legislature