

Proclamation

City of Oneida - Office of the Mayor

WHEREAS, Zonta International is a global service organization dedicated to advancing the status of women through service and advocacy, founded in Buffalo, New York in 1919, and now comprised of approximately 1,200 clubs in 67 countries with more than 33,000 members; and

WHEREAS, the Zonta Club of the Oneida Area was chartered more than 90 years ago to further this mission locally and enhance the lives of women throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the Zonta Club of the Oneida Area proudly honors Wendy Candeloro as the recipient of the 2026 Status of Women Award; and

WHEREAS, Wendy resides in Oneida, New York with her adult son and has served as a business owner, pastor, volunteer at Oneida Hospital, and Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant; and

WHEREAS, she currently serves as Outreach Coordinator at Church on the Rock, where she helps lead the food pantry and clothing store, coordinating donations and volunteers in partnership with Food Bank of Central New York, Walmart, and Grand Union of Sherrill, New York to provide food to up to 40 households each week;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Rossi, Mayor of the City of Oneida, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 18, 2026, as

"Wendy Candeloro Day"

in the City of Oneida and urge our citizens to recognize Wendy's outstanding accomplishments and positive influence in the lives of countless young people through her professional and personal life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affix the official seal of the City of Oneida on this 18th day of March 2026.

Mayor Rick Rossi