City of Albany

Proclamation

IN HONOR OF GAIL DRULIS

WHEREAS, Gail Drulis started at the Albany Y in 1982 as an after-school site director; and

WHEREAS, she quickly became PE Director, overseeing all adult and youth programs at the Albany Y; and

WHEREAS, she started cardiac rehab at the Albany Y, a program that is still going strong today and has enhanced and saved many lives; and

WHEREAS, Gail was instrumental in the creation of the fitness center which opened in 1996 and expanded membership from 200 to over 2000; and

WHEREAS, she became executive director of the Albany Y in 2000; and

WHEREAS, she implemented the Middle School After school program Y Achievers providing after school care and tutoring for grades 6-8; and

WHEREAS, Gail oversaw two phases of renovations at the Albany Y 2014 and 2016; and

WHEREAS, she spearheaded annual community giving campaigns that is estimated at raising well over $1,000,000 providing financial assistance for kids, families, seniors to be able to participate in Y programs; and

WHEREAS, Gail proved her strong commitment to the Albany community through her service with Soroptimist International of Albany, the Solano Avenue Association Board, Albany Rotary, and the Albany Education Foundation; and

WHEREAS, in each one of these organizations she played a significant role in fundraising.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it proclaimed that the Albany City Council thanks Gail Drulis for her many years of service to our community and wishes her well in her retirement.

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Peggy McQuaid, Mayor