



OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

~ *Office of the Mayor* ~
SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, The City of Schenectady's Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York, Inc., assists in the delivery of legal services to low income persons through its conduct of a private attorney placement program and its rendition of legal services by pro bono attorneys; and

WHEREAS, The Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York, Inc. now serves a 16-county service area in northeastern New York, providing services to low-income residents in Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Hamilton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, St. Lawrence, Warren and Washington counties; and

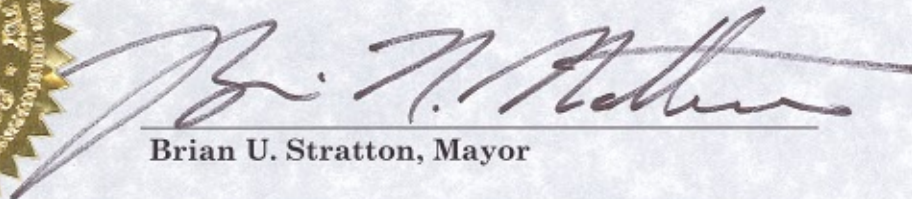
WHEREAS, There are only a limited number of legal aid lawyers and a large number of low income residents in these three counties who are unable to obtain civil legal services; and

WHEREAS, It appears that low income persons in the area served by Legal Aid would benefit from the legal community's additional donation of free legal services; and

WHEREAS, It has been recognized that the need for lawyers to be mindful in the administration of justice and devote professional time to representation of low income individuals is a necessity in today's society;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN U. STRATTON, Mayor of the City of Schenectady, do hereby proclaim October 25 through October 31, 2009 as **Pro Bono Week in the City of Schenectady**, and thank those professionals that give back of their time and encourage others to join them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I Have Hereunto Set My Hand
and Cause the Seal of the City of Schenectady to be
Affixed this 23rd October 2009.



Brian U. Stratton, Mayor

