

A PROCLAMATION
OF THE CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, individuals who step up as Coaches contribute time and effective energy to bettering their athletes. Coach Alphonse Lambert has led an exemplary career as Saratoga Central Catholic's Varsity Baseball Coach; and;

WHEREAS, Coach Lambert was hired in 1988 as the youngest high school head baseball coach in New York State at 22 years old. He guided the Saints to a 10-11 record in his first season and two years later proceeded to win three consecutive league championships. The highlight of Coach Lambert's career to date was the 2000 season in which the Saints went 27-2 and lost the NYS Class C State Championship game in 9 innings to Falconer H.S. of Buffalo. That season, Tim Stauffer and the Saints won 26 consecutive games and outscored their opponents 332-98; and;

WHEREAS, Coach Lambert's teams have won more than 20 games eleven times, including the 2007 team that went 25-3 and won the NYS Section 2 Class B Championship. The 2009 team went 24-5 and also won the NYS Section 2 Class B Championship. In 2010 and 2011 the Saints once again won the NYS Section 2 Class B Championship. The Saints won the Capital Region Championship advancing to the State Final Four. The 2010 Saints finished with a 23-3 record and the 2011 team finished with a 21-3 record; and;

WHEREAS, During Coach Lambert's tenure at Saratoga Catholic two of his former players Tim Stauffer and Christian Garcia were drafted in the major leagues. Coach Lambert has been selected as Coach of the year by the Saratogian 1990, 2000, 2009, Glens Falls Post Star 2000, 2011 as well as the Amsterdam Recorder 2000 and the Albany Times Union 2000 and 2009; and;

WHEREAS, Coach Lambert's career record as head baseball coach at Saratoga Central Catholic (35 Seasons) is 601 -214 .737 winning % including (15) League Championships: 1991, 1992, 1997, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 (5) Section 2 Championships: 2000, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011 (3) NYS Regional Championship: 2000, 2010, 2011 and (1) NYSPSAA Finalist in 2000. In the Sectionals Coach Lambert has a record of 45-29 608 winning %; and;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ron Kim, Mayor of the City of Saratoga Springs, am pleased to join with my fellow Saratogians in honoring Coach "Phonsey" Lambert and extending to him our very best wishes for success in the years to come. I hereby proclaim today, June 20, 2023, as

COACH LAMBERT DAY

Dated: June 20, 2023

Mayor RON KIM

