

Proclamation

Rachel Lee Wheeler-Rossow

Whereas, Rachel Lee Wheeler-Rossow was a resident of Ellington from 1970 to 2013, where she raised her children; Rachel, Robert, Susan, Edward, Ellen, Mary, Charlie, Patrick, Roy, Michael, Aaron, David, Dina, Maria, Christopher, Simone, Benjamin, Jose Luis, Christa, Elizabeth, Joseph, Tylon, Charles, Tim, Mark, Stephen and Susan, as well as many other challenged children for whom she provided a home and served as loving guardian; and

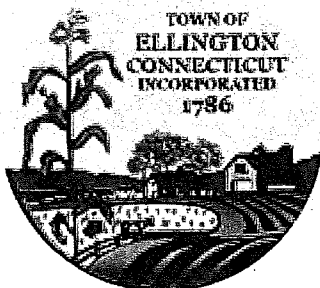
Whereas, Rachel Lee Wheeler-Rossow served Ellington with distinction on the Nursing Committee, Community Health Commission, the Community Child Guidance Clinic, the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Finance, the Board of Education, as Chairwoman of the Ellington Democratic Town Committee and as a Justice of the Peace; and

Whereas, Rachel Lee Wheeler-Rossow sought to improve the lot of those least able to do for themselves, in order to ensure that each was equipped to live and thrive to the best of his/her abilities. Through Alpha & Omega she directly brought hope, meaning and purpose to the lives of scores of severely challenged children and young adults; and

Whereas, Rachel Lee Wheeler-Rossow lived a life of selflessness with a dedication to the preservation and betterment of her beloved Ellington community.

Now, Therefore, I, Maurice W. Blanchette, First Selectman of the Town of Ellington, Connecticut, on behalf of all its citizens, and by order of the Board of Selectmen, do hereby induct Rachel Lee Wheeler-Rossow to the Ellington Wall of Honor in recognition of her life of public service and her example of truly exceptional humanitarian work.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the Town of Ellington to be affixed this 6th day of September 2014.



Maurice W. Blanchette
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