

In Honor of the 15th Anniversary of *The Highlands Current*

WHEREAS, July 4, 2025 marks the 15th anniversary of *The Highlands Current*, a publication which provides quality local coverage, initially of the Town of Philipstown and subsequently also the City of Beacon; and

WHEREAS, since their first published issue in July of 2010, *the Highlands Current* has proven to be a reliable source of informative and educational news, and to uphold the critical values of independent, non-profit journalism through their work; and

WHEREAS, over the past fifteen years, the publication has become an indispensable local news source on the topics of local government meetings and decisions, environmental issues, arts and culture, community events, elections, and much more; and

WHEREAS, the City of Beacon recognizes the important role that objective, local journalism plays in our democracy, both in fostering transparency and encouraging civic participation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lee Kyriacou, Mayor of the City of Beacon, New York, do hereby issue this proclamation in honor of the 15th anniversary of *the Highlands Current*, and wish to both congratulate their staff, in particular Beacon Editor Jeff Simms, and recognize their dedicated readership for this important and impressive accomplishment.

Signature:

____ Date: 7/3/2025

Lee Kyriacou, Mayor