

CITY OF LATHRUP VILLAGE

Proclamation in Memoriam

for

Betty Stone

- WHEREAS** Betty Stone grew up in New York and attended the University of Michigan. While there, she met her future husband, Jerry Stone, in the Architectural Arts and Designs School. They both graduated in 1954; and
- WHEREAS** Betty and Jerry Stone were blessed with three children: Kim, Jon, and Tracy, and four grandchildren. Their family move to Lathrup Village and lived on Middlesex in a home that they both designed and built for 25 years. They later built a new home on California Drive in Lathrup Village; and
- WHEREAS** Betty was extremely talented and her illustrious career included working for J. L. Hudson's, first downtown and then at Northland, in the display department. She later became a commercial artist with Parish Publications. Her artistic skills included home decorating, expert calligraphy, book illustrations, designing awards, and numerous pieces of artwork for the city and community organizations; and
- WHEREAS** Betty Stone's much cherished gift to the City of Lathrup Village was the design of the city seal and official city flag; and
- WHEREAS** Betty served the community as a member of the Lathrup Village Women's Club for over 50 years, where she also served as its president for a record of 16 years. Her dedication also includes running the Women's Clubs' Meals on Wheels Program for many years; and
- WHEREAS** Jerry and Betty were both enthusiastic members of the Beautification Council of Southeastern Michigan for 45 years, with Jerry serving as President and Treasurer and Betty as Vice President. For the organization's 50th Anniversary, Betty designed the anniversary plate. Both Jerry and Betty served as President of Keep Michigan Beautiful, where Betty was honored in 2017 with the Wally Bronner 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award; and
- WHEREAS** On behalf of the citizens of the City of Lathrup Village, we express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the life's work of Betty Stone and her invaluable service to the City of Lathrup Village and our residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, Mayor Mykale "Kelly" Garrett, together with Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Kantor, Council Member Frank Brock, Council Member Ian Ferguson, and Council Member Donna Stallings, do hereby express our heartfelt thanks to Jerry and Betty Stone, as we extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to the family members and loved ones of Betty Stone.

Attested to this 25th day of May, 2018.

*Hon. Mykale Garrett, Mayor
City of Lathrup Village*