

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD CONNECTICUT

45 South Main Street Wallingford, CT 06492

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, in 1924, 23 year old Fredrick Christian Ulbrich Sr. founded an iron and steel scrapyard named the "Fred Ulbrich" company, which became Ulbrich Stainless Steel and Specialty Metals, Inc.

in Wallingford, CT (Ulbrich); and

Whereas, by 1927 Ulbrich expanded the original 600 square foot building to 1200 square feet to bolster its inventory in response to the growth of the stainless steel industry; and

Whereas, Ulbrich won a federal government contract at the beginning of WWII to supply cutlery to the US Army through its subsidiary created in 1937, "Victory Cutlery Company." The demand for stainless steel skyrocketed due to the war effort allowing Ulbrich to purchase one of the country's first Sendzimir Rolling Mills and splitter; and

Whereas, In 1969, NASA's Apollo 11 landed on the moon with metal components rolled by the newly incorporated Ulbrich Stainless Steel and Specialty Metals; and

Whereas, Ulbrich experienced landmark growth by reaching sales of \$100 million in the U.S. in 1989, and \$300 million by 2010. Ulbrich now has over 700 employees and 12 international locations; and

Whereas, Ulbrich was named as "Best Place to Work in Central Connecticut" by the Record Journal in for the last five years; and

Whereas, over the last 100 years the resilience and innovation of the founder, four generations of the Ulbrich family and thousands of employees have transformed the business from a depressionera scrapyard into a high-tech global supplier of stainless steel and specialty metals;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Vincent Cervoni, Mayor of the Town of Wallingford do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 23, 2024 as

Ulbrich Day

in our community and extend Congratulations and Best Wishes for continued success in all the years ahead. Thank you for supporting our community. Your outstanding efforts are sincerely appreciated!

Vincent Cervoni, Mayor

DATED THIS 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 2024 Wallingford, Connecticut