

Thank you, my name is Steven Baldwin, I live in Schenectady, I'm here on behalf of the Not So Common Players Board to speak in favor of Resolution 10.

I came before the Board on July 21 to ask for help with our storage problem as the Grange needs environmental abatement. I appreciate that you all were so supportive, thoughtful, and creative with finding a quick solution to our problem.

This idea was suggested initially after that meeting by Dahn Bull as a way to repurpose existing Town resources. I want to thank Director Babendrier for brokering this deal within the respective offices and departments.

Voting for this resolution will allow us to vacate the Grange within a matter of weeks, which will allow the Historical preservation projects at the Grange and Grooms Road to proceed.

Placing a storage pod near the Commons stage may reduce the amount of labor needed from the Department of Buildings and Grounds, which would free them up to do other important Town business.

Having this new storage space will allow us to continue our mission to provide free entertainment and educational opportunities to the Town.

I want to thank Dahn Bull for his suggestion; Director Clemmens for all of the work he and his crew do for us year after year—we truly could not do anything without them; I'd like to thank Attorney Dailey and your office for all of your guidance, thank you to Cindy for all of her document help; Director Babendrier, Councilwoman Bellamy, and Deputy Supervisor Reid for putting up with all of my messages, all of our meetings, for taking this matter so seriously, for acting so quickly; and thank you to Deputy Supervisor Reid for sponsoring the resolution tonight.

Lastly, Mr. Supervisor, since this may be the last time I address the Board for some time, it's my understanding that you are not seeking another term at the end of this year. Our group began in 2000, almost exactly with your tenure as Supervisor. We would not have been able to provide the opportunities and outlets to this community without your leadership, so I want to thank you on behalf of our Board. Now, I have it on very good authority that you are a talented singer yourself...so perhaps with your newfound free time we'll be able to convince you to join us sometime? I kid, but there may be someone else here who is feeling 16 going on 17? In all seriousness, thank you for your support all these years, and congratulations on your next chapter.

For those reasons, I ask you to vote FOR resolution 10.

Mrs. Fantini, I yield back.