Councilwoman Cartright Attends Clarkette Event in Port Jefferson Station

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Farmingville, NY – - On April 3, Councilwoman Valerie M. Cartright (left) joined Legislator Kara Hahn (right) at an event held at Comsewogue High School honoring Anabel Clark (center), founder and director of the Clarkettes Baton Twirling Organization. Ms. Clark was presented with a proclamation from Legislator Hahn and a certificate of appreciation from Councilwoman Cartright for her 50 years of service to this organization. At the event, Ms. Clark was surprised with an alumni performance.

Ms. Clark, a self-taught baton twirler, founded the Clarkettes while teaching from her backyard. A longtime Port Jefferson resident, she was a majorette for the Port Jefferson Fire Department and director of the Royalettes of Port Jefferson High School. In her career, she has coached championship teams and individuals selected to march in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Ms. Clark was inducted into the United States Twirling Association Hall of Fame.

"It was my pleasure to be included in this event honoring Ms. Clark and all the time, effort, and dedication she has poured into teaching young women in our community," commented Councilwoman Cartright. "Ms. Clark is incredibly talented in twirling, and as a leader who promotes commitment, diligence and teamwork among those she mentors."

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