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Flag Raising at Binghamton City Hall for National Donate Life Month

Please join Broome County Clerk Joseph Mihalko and Binghamton Mayor Jared Kraham for a flag raising ceremony on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 7, 2024 at 9:30 am</u> on the State Street side of Binghamton City Hall. A "Donate Life" flag will be raised over City Hall in honor of April being "National Donate Life Month."

The Donate Life flag was first introduced in 2006. It has become a national symbol of unity, remembrance and hope, honoring those touched by donation and transplantation. By raising the flag, we acknowledge the medical professionals and staff among us who work every day to care for our family, friends and neighbors, and who play an active role in honoring the decisions of donors and their families to offer life, hope and healing to others through donation. Currently there are more than 100,000 people in the US waiting for a life-saving transplant, over 8,000 are right here in New York.

Since residents can register to become organ and tissue donors on their driver's license applications, County Clerk Mihalko, who oversees the local DMV offices, is leading the annual call for action in Broome County.

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