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## **MINER ANNOUNCES 2014 WOMAN OF THE YEAR**

*Miner Will Honor Small Business Owner, Philanthropist  
Kellieann Gingold with 2014 Woman of the Year Award*

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – Mayor Stephanie A. Miner today announced that Kellieann Gingold will be the recipient of the 2014 City of Syracuse Woman of the Year Award. A ceremony honoring Kellieann will be held on Thursday, April 24 at 5:00 PM in the Atrium of City Hall Commons, 201 East Washington Street.

“Kellieann has made her mark in Syracuse as a small business leader, active volunteer and charitable fundraiser,” said **Syracuse Mayor Stephanie A. Miner**. “She understands there are many causes of need in this community and has done good work to support them.”

Kellieann Gingold is a Sedgwick resident and the owner of Showoffs Boutique in Armory Square, a store specializing in promoting up and coming designers. She has used her position in the fashion industry to connect clients and causes. Kelliann has worked with Fashion Funding Help to raise money and awareness of ovarian cancer. As part of this effort, she has worked with Hope for Heather to organize a Girls Day Out and Breakfast at Tiffany’s awareness events.

Kellieann has been a board member of the Crouse Hospital Auxiliary and Syracuse Children's Theatre. She has also been an advocate for other organizations including the American Heart Association, the Boys and Girls Club, and the Ronald McDonald House. Kellie is co-chairing an upcoming Autism Awareness fashion show, a fall fundraiser for Susan G. Komen for the Cure entitled Pink Tie Guy, and has plans to debut a Breakfast at Tiffany’s event in Albany this September.

“I am honored and humbled to receive this award,” said **Kellieann Gingold**. “I accept it on behalf of all the passionate and dedicated volunteers that have worked tirelessly to support women and children in our wonderful community.”

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The Syracuse Commission for Women, which made the selection, was established by Mayor Thomas G. Young in the 1980s to advise the Mayor on women's issues in the community. The commission now consists of nine members from different walks of life across the City of Syracuse. Today, the commission works on advocacy projects focused on empowering young women and encouraging volunteerism.

The Commission called for nominees from the community in February. After reviewing submissions, Ms. Gingold was selected by the commission at their March meeting. 2014 will be the fourth year the award is given. Previous honorees include Linda Donalson, Grace Flusche, and Daryl Files.

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