

CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT
MAYORAL PROCLAMATION
A PROCLAMATION FOR AMBROSINI DAY

WHEREAS, Angelo Peter Ambrosini, sculptor, was born in Varese, Italy, in 1880, and arrived in Northfield, Vermont in 1901 where he carved a dozen granite memorials for Northfield's Elmwood Cemetery and worked with Louis St. Gaudens on the 18-foot-tall Bethel white granite statues for Union Station in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Angelo P. Ambrosini moved with his family to Barre in 1916, where he was one of the original members of Social Club #2 to which the Socialist Labor Party Hall on Granite Street in Barre belonged, member of the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW), the Federazione Socialista Italiana (FSI), the Granite Cutters International Association, the Societa di Mutuo Soccorso, and the Barre Fish and Game Club, and made the statues of his wife Maria and an eagle in flight are both on display in the Labor Hall; and

WHEREAS, While still young, Angelo P. Ambrosini contracted silicosis from breathing granite dust became a patient at the Washington County Sanitorium and was survived by his wife Maria and their children Aurora, Avenire, Louisa, and Angelo Lincoln in 1932; and

WHEREAS, Angelo Lincoln Ambrosini was born in Barre in 1925, served in the Navy, attended the Barre School of Memorial Art, and his granite sculpting career included work at the Comolli Granite Company, Houle-Giudici Granite, and at Celestial Memorials in Barre.

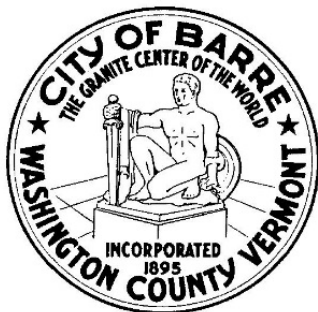
WHEREAS, As a youngster, Angelo L Ambrosini and his friend Win Bressett helped out at the old Union Cooperative Store Bakery beside the Labor Hall, which was restored and reopened in 2019 and is now called the Rise Up Bakery; and

WHEREAS, In 1986, Angelo L Ambrosini demonstrated along with colleagues Gary Sassi and Felix Rubio the art of stone carving at the American Folklife Festival in Washington, DC.; and

WHEREAS, When it came time to rescue the Socialist Labor Party Hall on Granite Street in 1995, Angelo L Ambrosini donated his time and skill to help demolish the drop ceiling and cement floor, repair the refreshment stand that now serves as the kitchen for events at the Hall.; and

WHEREAS, Angelo L Ambrosini, his wife Marie, and his daughters Cynthia, Lorraine, Louise, and Mary, have all been supporters of the Labor Hall since its reopening in September 2000, and they have regularly attended the annual celebration of Primo Maggio each year on May 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Lucas J. Herring, Mayor of the City of Barre, Vermont, do hereby proclaim Monday, September 6th, 2021, in the City of Barre to be "Ambrosini Day" recognizing that the Ambrosini Family has shared a special connection with the Labor Hall since it began and in recognition of the newly named Ambrosini Room at the Socialist Labor Party Hall.



Lucas J. Herring
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