

Jacqueline M. Izzo was elected Mayor of the City of Rome in November 2015 making history as the first female mayor of a major city in Oneida County, and was reelected to a second term in November 2019.

A lifelong Roman, Mayor Izzo's administration is promoting growth of the city's tax base through commercial and residential development as well as strengthening the city's aging infrastructure, and promoting a more welcoming community for those wishing to establish a business or call Rome home.

Mayor Izzo has made economic development a priority and her team has worked very hard to identify projects, which will make an impact on moving the city forward in the next several years. The City of Rome, under the Mayor's leadership, was the 2017 winner of the New York State \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI). Just one of 10 cities selected in the 2017 competition statewide, the City of Rome is implementing plans to transform the downtown Rome area with an eye toward the future. New residential housing, new business growth, improved infrastructure and quality of life enhancements are just some of the exciting plans for this area in the next few years.

Additionally, the Mayor has made new housing initiatives a priority. This includes the first of its kind, AirCity Lofts, a mixed use residential/commercial development project under construction at the Griffiss and Business Technology Park. For years, employees of the Air Force Research Laboratory and surrounding businesses on the Park have lobbied for additional market rate housing within close proximity to their workplaces. Phase 1 of AirCity Lofts is slated to open sometime in the 4th quarter of 2020 with Phase 2 to follow in 2021 transforming the former air force base into a livable, workable Business and Technology Park. Dewitt Clinton Apartments, a \$25 million dollar residential mix of new apartments and townhouses along the Erie Canal in South Rome, opened in June 2020. Demolition of the former Griffiss Air Force Base housing, Woodhaven, paves the way for a mix of newly constructed single family, townhouse and duplex style housing on approximately 100 acres of land within walking distance to the Griffiss Business and Technology Park. New housing and commercial development will complement the city's existing trail system, the recently renovated MVCC Rome Campus along with connections to the Griffiss Business and Technology Park.

Mayor Izzo is a proactive partner of the CNY Defense Alliance, supporting activities that promote and advocate for New York's DoD and federal assets including the Air Force Research Laboratory Information Directorate, Unmanned Aerial System Test Site, Eastern Air Defense Sector and Defense Finance and Accounting Service.

Ms. Izzo is also owner and President of Upstate New York Professional Services, d/b/a Central NY Transcription Service, providing medical transcription/dictation services to hospitals, physician offices, and urgent care clinics throughout the United States. While she did not have any medical dictation experience, her entrepreneurial instinct recognized that electronic based document management, e signature, e faxing, and online editing of the complete patient record utilizing the internet were game changing technologies. She created a business which disrupted the world of microcassette dictation by offering a more flexible capability that included capturing voice over the internet and linking the digital voice to the written record. This internet based capability allowed her company to be based in Rome, but to grow throughout the United States.

Prior to establishing her business, Ms. Izzo served as Oneida County Legislator 35th District and General Manager of the Quality Inn of Rome, NY. Ms. Izzo was also an active member of the Rome Area Chamber of Commerce for over 19 years, serving on the Board of Directors, including Chairperson in 1997, and Executive Committee. Jackie was also instrumental in kick starting the Oneida County Convention and Visitors Bureau in the mid 80s and has the distinction of being the longest serving Board President. She has a BS in Public Relations/Journalism from Utica College.