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GERMAN-AMERICAN HALL of FAME NAMES COMMISSIONER BRIAN ANDERSSON AS “OFFICIAL GENEALOGIST”

William Hetzler, Founder & Chairman of the ‘German-American Hall of Fame’ (GAMHOF) announced that New York City Commissioner of Records & Information Services Brian Andersson was named as “Official Genealogist” of the GAMHOF.

“Commissioner Andersson has long been a friend to the German-American community, and he is acclaimed across the U. S. for his knowledge of genealogy and the records, new and old, that have helped families, individuals and communities to learn more about their heritage,” said Chairman Hetzler. “We look forward to calling upon Commissioner Andersson for his assistance and ideas to seek outstanding German-Americans to honor, and to learn more about their family routes to and within America,” he added.

“Although I do not claim any Germanic heritage,” said Commissioner Andersson, “I certainly appreciate the invaluable contributions of America’s largest ethnic group. I welcome the concept of GAMHOF and look forward to learning more about the irreplaceable contributions of German immigrants and their descendants to the United States.”

The appointment of Commissioner Brian Andersson as “Official Genealogist” of GAMHOF was announced by Chairman Hetzler to the March meeting of the GAMHOF Board of Trustees in Manhattan.

As a volunteer, Commissioner Andersson had already presented genealogical records to such outstanding German-Americans as John Cardinal O’Connor, Yankees Principal Owner George Steinbrenner, former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, supermodel Carol Alt and many others.

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