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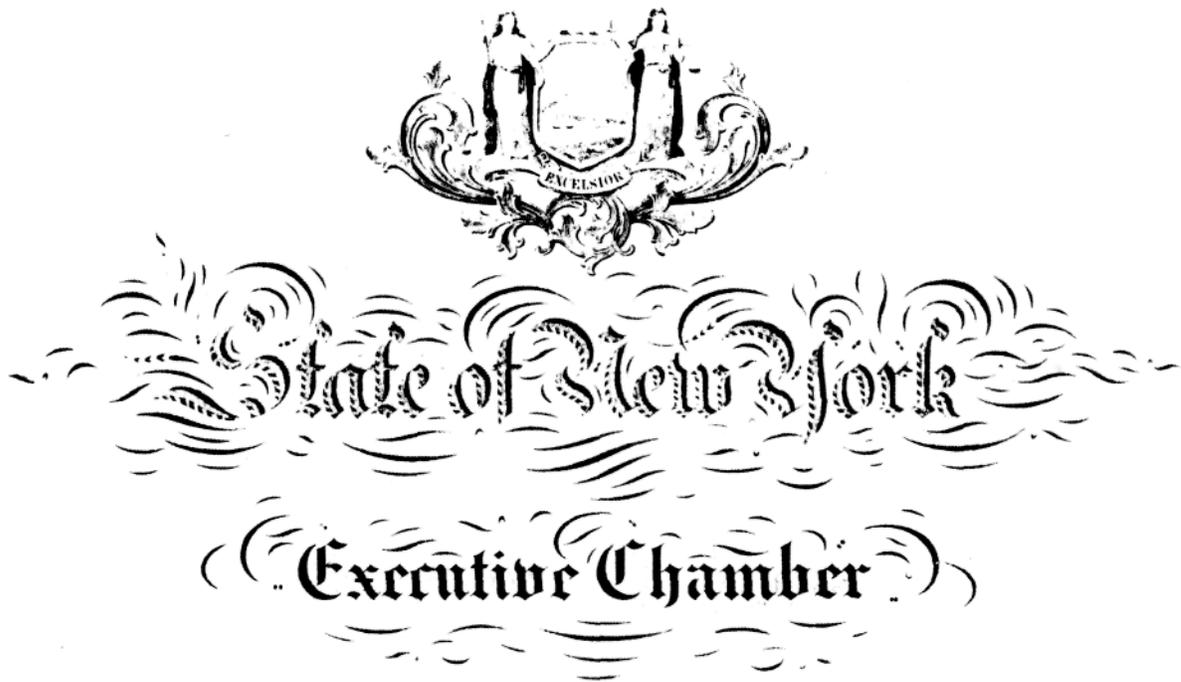


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C I T A T I O N

One of the world's most outstanding viticulturists has demonstrated that excellent European grape varieties can be grown successfully and that superb, true European wine can be produced in New York State and other eastern states despite the severity of winters in the Northeast.

His dream, which grew from a record of success in growing the European vinifers wine grape in the subarctic climate along the banks of Russia's Dnieper River, is evident to the visitors of his Vinifera Wine Cellars in Hammondsport, the heart of New York State's wine country.

Here grow the grapes that make "only excellent wines," to use this pioneer's words: "Pinot Chardonnay," "Johannisberg Riesling," foundation of Germany's finest white wines; "Cabernet Sauvignon," from which the finest Bordeaux wines from France are made; "Chimenes" from Spain; "Oporto" from Portugal; "Furmint" from Hungary, and many others.

He cherishes the belief that only the best of the best is suitable for the palate of the American wine connoisseur, as well as the average consumer. On behalf of his revolutionary work to benefit wine lovers the world over, especially New Yorkers, it is fitting to salute his outstanding contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I am pleased to cite

DR. KONSTANTIN FRANK

and to congratulate him for his immeasurable contributions to New York's wine industry.


Governor

February 27, 1979