

## 2013-J3956

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Wyoming County Community Health System on its hospital renovation, celebrated on March 8, 2014

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to commend and recognize those esteemed institutions within the medical community for their extraordinary and sustained contributions to the improvement of life; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Wyoming County Community Health System (WCCHS) on its hospital renovation, which was celebrated at an Open House Ceremony on March 8, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming County Community Health System is a not-for-profit community health care system providing primary care, nursing home care, general acute, and specialty services to residents of and visitors to Wyoming County; it offers a variety of educational and support programs as well as preventative screening and wellness clinics; and

WHEREAS, Wyoming County Community Hospital, the centerpiece of (WCCHS) was founded in 1911; Dr. W. Ross Thomson, an accomplished surgeon from New York City, established the hospital in a private residence on West Buffalo Street with just five beds and a staff of two; and

WHEREAS, Over the next 100 years, this remarkable institution would grow into a 138 bed, state-of-the-art medical facility thanks to the support of its hard working professionals and the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, On January 6, 2014, Wyoming County Community Hospital officially opened its new 12,000 square foot addition; major improvements include a new lobby, patient registration area, Emergency Department and medical testing facilities to better serve the needs of its patients and

their families; and

WHEREAS, Renovations were also completed on the nursing home and maternity unit, as well as the addition of areas for endoscopic surgery and specialty providers; furthermore, a new sheltered ambulance area allows patients to be transported directly into the hospital; and

WHEREAS, These new facilities will ensure Wyoming County Community Health System continues its mission of promoting good health and quality of life to the citizens of Wyoming County for years to come; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the well-being and vitality of their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to excellence certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Wyoming County Community Health System on its hospital renovation, celebrated on March 8, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Wyoming County Community Health System.