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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Elizabeth Mullin-DiProsa upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service as President and CEO of St. Ann's Community

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body seeks to acknowledge those individuals whose professional lives and civic endeavors serve to enhance the stature of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Elizabeth Mullin-DiProsa upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service as President and CEO of St. Ann's Community; this momentous occasion will be commemorated with a retirement celebration in her honor, to be held on Saturday, April 12, 2014, at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Mullin-DiProsa, affectionately known as Betty, is a registered nurse and healthcare executive with more than 35 years of experience in providing and overseeing care and services for the elderly; and

WHEREAS, For more than 17 years, Betty Mullin-DiProsa has served as President and CEO of St. Ann's Community, a large senior housing and long term care system in Rochester, New York; the organization serves over 3,000 older adults annually, and employs a staff of approximately 1,200, including physicians and nurse practitioners; and

WHEREAS, During her tenure, Betty Mullin-DiProsa has been a positive and transformative force in the St. Ann's Community; she was instrumental in the development of a new Transitional Care Unit within the existing nursing home, which was later replicated and used as a prototype by many other senior health care providers; and

WHEREAS, In addition, it was her vision that led to the construction

of the satellite campus known as Cherry Ridge, located in Webster, New York, which completed the continuum of care, broadened the geographic footprint of St. Ann's Community, and helped maintain stability of residential rates; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of Cherry Ridge, Betty Mullin-DiProsa's commitment and determination led to an even more ambitious program, ultimately resulting in a major reconfiguration of the original St. Ann's campus, expanding the capacity of its Transitional Care Program; and

WHEREAS, With sincere care and dedication to the employees of St. Ann's Community, Betty Mullin-DiProsa initiated a scholarship program to assist Nursing staff members further their education; through this effort, numerous employees have been afforded the opportunity to obtain degrees and certifications; and

WHEREAS, Prior to her time with St. Ann's Community, Betty Mullin-DiProsa operated a Medicare certified Home Health Agency and a Medicare certified Hospice Agency, as well as a skilled nursing facility and a geriatric medical practice with Group Health Cooperative of Puget Sound in Seattle, Washington; and

WHEREAS, Active within her community, Betty Mullin-DiProsa serves as Secretary for the Senior Health Alliance of Greater Rochester, Trustee of St. John Fisher College, Clinical Adjunct Faculty at the University of Rochester School of Nursing, and is a member and past convener of LeadingAge CEMO group; and

WHEREAS, As an industry leader, advocate and champion for Seniors, Betty Mullin-DiProsa is a true role model; she has represented St. Ann's Community and LeadingAge as a member of the House of Delegates and was

selected as a member of the Managed Medicaid Long Term Care Work Group where she provided key leadership and insight; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Betty Mullin-DiProsa helped to make the Senior Health Alliance of Greater Rochester, Inc. a group that improves the

quality of care and services for Seniors in the community; she also exhibited outstanding leadership during the Annual Alzheimer's Walk; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, 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 honor Elizabeth Mullin-DiProsa upon the occasion of her retirement after many years of distinguished service as President and CEO of St. Ann's Community; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Elizabeth Mullin-DiProsa.