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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Health Quest upon the occasion of its designation as a 2014 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Business of the Year

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those businesses within the State of New York which distinguish themselves through outstanding professional behavior, corporate innovation, and enduring commitment to the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Health Quest upon the occasion of its designation as a 2014 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Business of the Year; and

WHEREAS, This momentous Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 8, 2014, at the Wiltwyck Golf Club in Kingston, New York; and

WHEREAS, As the Hudson Valley's largest integrated family of hospitals and health care providers, Health Quest delivers the highest quality care across a variety of service lines, including Cancer Care, Cardiac Care, Orthopedics, Neurosciences, Women's and Children's Services, and Surgical Services; and

WHEREAS, The Health Quest family includes three Nationally recognized hospitals, Northern Dutchess Hospital in Rhinebeck, Putnam Hospital Center in Carmel, and Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie; and

WHEREAS, In addition, it consists of multiple Health Quest Medical Practice (HQMP) primary care and specialty locations, two Health Quest Urgent Care locations for walk-in urgent care and affiliates including Hudson Valley Home Care and The Heart Center; and WHEREAS, Health Quest delivers immediate, compassionate care, using the latest medical technology, to more than one million people in Columbia, Dutchess, Ulster, Orange, Putnam and northern Westchester counties; and

WHEREAS, Among numerous awards and accolades, Health Quest was named the Most Recognized Hospital System in the Mid-Hudson River Valley Region in 2013, by Healthgrades, a leading hospital ratings organization; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Health Quest employs more than 4,000 individuals, affiliates with higher education institutions including SUNY New Paltz, conducts research and is recognized for clinical excellence; and WHEREAS, Businesses such as Health Quest exert a strong, positive influence on the communities they serve and are a crucial element in the economy of New York State; and

WHEREAS, It is with great pleasure that this Legislative Body acknowledges Health Quest's success, recognizes its contributions to the local and State economies, and extends its highest commendation to the corporation and its employees, fully confident that, in its future, it will enjoy the same success which has so characterized its past; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Health Quest upon the occasion of its designation as a 2014 SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame inductee as Business of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Health Quest.