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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Saratoga Hospital upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Contributions to Healthcare Award by the Northeast Kidney Foundation

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Saratoga Hospital upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Contributions to Healthcare Award by the Northeast Kidney Foundation; the hospital will be honored at the Foundation's 2014 Gift of Life Celebration on Thursday, May 22, 2014, at the Hilton Albany, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Northeast Kidney Foundation is a voluntary health organization dedicated to preventing kidney disease and enhancing the lives of all those affected; formed in 1974 as a philanthropic gift of Edwin and Rhoda Sperber, the Foundation provides services to patients, family members, the general public and clinical and academic professionals throughout the Northeast; and

WHEREAS, Kidney disease is a major health problem; one in seven adults is at risk, and related conditions, including diabetes and hypertension, exacerbate the problem; and

WHEREAS, Medical professionals and hospitals are critical to the fight against kidney disease, playing key roles in early identification, intervention and prevention, and providing life-saving treatment; and WHEREAS, In receiving this prestigious award, Saratoga Hospital has

demonstrated its enduring commitment, leadership, and excellence in confronting the challenge of kidney disease; this esteemed hospital has clearly made a positive difference in the lives of their patients and all those affected; and

WHEREAS, Institutions within the medical community who have made sustained contributions to the progress of medicine and the improvement of life are worthy and due the highest commendation for their contributions to the well-being of all New York State residents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Saratoga Hospital upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Contributions to Healthcare Award; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Saratoga Hospital.