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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Joseph Ralabate upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Aequanimitas Award by Catholic Medical Partners

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality of life in the communities across this great State of New York is enriched by the diligence and compassionate commitment of those individuals whose singular purpose is the care and welfare of others; and WHEREAS, In the faithful performance of his duties and responsibilities, Dr. Joseph Ralabate's ongoing efforts and notable achievements have significantly contributed to bettering the quality of life in his community; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Joseph Ralabate upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Aequanimitas Award by Catholic Medical Partners at its Annual Meeting; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Medical Partners is a membership organization comprised of the Catholic Health System, Mercy Hospital, Kenmore Mercy Hospital, Sister's Hospital, Mt. St. Mary's Hospital and more than 900 physicians; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joseph Ralabate, a resident of Kenmore, received this prestigious award from Catholic Medical Partners in recognition of his steadfast, virtuous, and wise counsel as a board member since 2006; and WHEREAS, A Board Certified Surgeon, Dr. Joseph Ralabate received his medical degree from Creighton University School of Medicine and has been in practice for 44 years; he currently serves as Chief of Surgery at Kenmore Mercy Hospital in Buffalo, New York; and WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, he continuously displayed initiative and an unrelenting commitment when pursuing the highest of goals, and he

has served as a role model of leadership to be emulated by all; and WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Joseph Ralabate has displayed throughout his life; 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 honor Dr. Joseph Ralabate upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the Aequanimitas Award by Catholic Medical Partners; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Joseph Ralabate.