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## Theresa Patnode Santmann's Gift To Farmingdale State College

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Senator Owen H. Johnson joined the Farmingdale State College community to recognize Theresa Patnode Santmann at the September 21, 2011 announcement of her \$1 million gift to the School of Health Sciences. Santmann, a Babylon resident who earned her nursing degree at Farmingdale in 1969, is a prominent healthcare advocate and entrepreneur.

"Theresa Patnode Santmann's gift will advance education at Farmingdale State College for many years to come, and we recognize and truly appreciate her benevolence as she gives back to our community in such a meaningful way," Senator Johnson said. Santmann's gift to Farmingdale State College will create four scholarships spread over the programs in nursing, bioscience, dental hygiene, and medical technology, and will also support faculty research and the enhancing of student resources.

The college's School of Health Science will now bear Theresa Patnode Santmann's name for her outstanding philanthropic support and generosity to the students, faculty and programs of Farmingdale State College. Her gift is the largest in the 100-year history of Farmingdale State College.