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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring John Remillard upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Eugene Bettiol Jr. Distinguished Citizen Award by the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, John Remillard has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor John Remillard upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Eugene Bettiol Jr. Distinguished Citizen Award by the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce, to be celebrated at its 30th Annual Spring Dinner themed "Otsego County The Pearl of New York State" on Thursday, March 3, 2016, at The Hunt Union Ballroom, SUNY Oneonta, Oneonta, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since 1986, the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce has served the businesses and communities of Otsego County with programs and services designed to foster strong economic growth and make the county a great place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, The Chamber's accomplishments were recognized by The Business Council of New York State with the designation of 2013 Chamber of the Year; and

WHEREAS, In 2016, the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce celebrates its 30th business anniversary, which is represented by the symbol of the pearl; during this milestone year, this worthy institute will showcase through various events and activities its strength and resilience as an

organization and its confidence as it looks ahead to the future; and

WHEREAS, Well-known as a collaborative, visionary community leader in the Greater Oneonta area, John Remillard recently retired as president and CEO of Fox Hospital; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable individual has been described by many as a leader who successfully led Fox Hospital through a series of transformations which has ensured the vitality and sustainability of the institution and hence, the quality of health care for the region; and

WHEREAS, John Remillard has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, John Remillard has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which John Remillard has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when leaders of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of the great State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor John Remillard upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2016 Eugene Bettiol Jr. Distinguished Citizen Award by the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Remillard.