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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending John Federspiel upon the occasion of his retirement after 29 years of distinguished service to New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging significant milestones in the distinguished careers of its esteemed residents; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend John Federspiel upon the occasion of his retirement after 29 years of distinguished service to New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital to be celebrated with a party held in his honor on Thursday, June 30, 2016, at the Sleepy Hollow Country Club; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel earned a master's degree in Business Administration from Temple University, and Diplomat Status in the American College of Health Care Executives; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel has served for 29 years as President of New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel guided the hospital through a financial turnaround in 1991, and was instrumental in the building of the new emergency room, operating room, and laboratory space with a \$27 million addition in 1995; and

WHEREAS, A \$100 million renovation followed in 2010, including a four-story, 84 bed, all-private patient tower, new, larger, state-of-the-art operating rooms, and an expansion of its Emergency Department; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel also oversaw the opening of the first comprehensive cancer center in Northern Westchester in 2011; the center offers radiation therapy, infusion and support services to patients, all conveniently in one location; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel led the development of the Peter X. Kelly

Teaching Kitchen in 2014; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel also directed the opening of off-site locations in neighboring communities to bring the hospital's outpatient services and physicians to local residents; and

WHEREAS, Under his distinguished tenure, New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital has earned numerous honors; it was the first hospital in the region to earn the Magnet Award for Nursing Excellence and the only one to earn it twice; and

WHEREAS, New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital has also earned the Gold Plus Award for Stroke Care from the American Heart Association in 2013 and 2014, as well as the Guardian Of Excellence Award from Press Ganey in 2013, 2014, and 2015 for patient satisfaction and quality clinical scores; and

WHEREAS, Under his leadership, New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital is one of only four hospitals in Westchester and Putnam Counties to receive an "A" grade for patient safety from Leap Frog, and was named the safest hospital in Westchester County by Consumer Reports in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Other distinguished honors New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley Hospital has earned include "Baby Friendly" status from the World Health Organization, Baby Friendly USA for excellence in maternity care and breastfeeding support, a Forbes Enterprise Award for leadership and innovative ideas, and being voted one of the best places to work in Westchester County; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel has received countless personal honors, including recognition from the Arthritis Foundation, Visiting Nurse Association of Westchester, and many other local civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel also dedicates his time to "Santa's Helpers", which he founded 19 years ago to purchase gifts for more than 1,600 Westchester children and their families; and

WHEREAS, John Federspiel is the proud father of three sons; and
WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who
enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and
sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their
profession, 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
commend John Federspiel upon the occasion of his retirement after 29
years of distinguished service to New York-Presbyterian/Hudson Valley
Hospital; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-
smitted to John Federspiel.