

## 2017-J689

Senate Resolution No. 689

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING Judith Spafford upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the Sullivan County Democrat honoring Professional Women and Women in Business

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interest of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Judith Spafford has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Judith Spafford upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 Sullivan County Democrat honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and

WHEREAS, Judith Spafford earned her Bachelor's Degree in Physical Therapy; after graduation, she went on to work at the Sullivan County Adult Care Center, where she is currently the Director of Rehab Services; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Judith Spafford evaluates and treats the

residents, including discharge planning and assessment of risk; she oversees the rehab department including scheduling residents for physical and occupational therapy, and other activities to help them maximize their potential; and

WHEREAS, When Judith Spafford is not working, she enjoys practicing yoga, reading, learning Mandarin, listening to and playing music, as well as walking her dog Daisy, a seven-year-old Australian Shepherd and Collie mix, who volunteers two days a week as a therapy dog; she also volunteers at St. Peter's R.C. Church in Liberty, where she directs the choir; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband Michael, two sons, a daughter and her stepchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Judith Spafford has displayed throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown 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 Judith Spafford upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 Sullivan County Democrat honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Judith Spafford.