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Senate Resolution No. 1872

BY: Senator LAVALLE

HONORING Kenneth D. Roberts upon the occasion of  
his designation as recipient of the John T. Mather  
Founder's Award by the Golf Classic Committee on  
June 5, 2017

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its  
long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor  
Kenneth D. Roberts upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of  
the John T. Mather Founder's Award by the Golf Class Committee to be  
celebrated at its 32nd Annual Mather Golf Classic on Monday, June 5,  
2017, at the Port Jefferson Country Club in Port Jefferson, New York;  
and

WHEREAS, Kenneth D. Roberts is receiving this prestigious award for  
his steadfast and unremitting commitment to the John T. Mather Memorial  
Hospital; and

WHEREAS, This popular annual event helps to raise funds for the

Nursing Education Program at the John T. Mather Memorial Hospital; better education ensures patients receive the high quality, cost-effective services they deserve and the health of its community continues to improve; and

WHEREAS, The Nursing Education Program offers ongoing updates and training in clinical practice areas whereby, increasing nurses' skill levels and providing its patients with the best care possible; the John T. Mather Memorial Hospital has earned the prestigious Magnet designation which recognizes healthcare organizations for quality patient care, nursing excellence and innovations in professional nursing practices; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth D. Roberts earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the State University of New York in Oneonta; he furthered his education by obtaining his Master of Business Administration in Finance degree from Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York, and his Master of Public Administration in Health Policy, Planning and Administration from New York University in New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth D. Roberts began his long and distinguished career in medical administration as a Senior Staff Assistant for Group Health Incorporated in New York; he then held the position of Assistant Director of Administration and Administrative Resident at South Nassau Communities Hospital in Oceanside, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1986, Kenneth D. Roberts was appointed President of the John T. Mather Hospital, after having served as Senior Vice President and Associate Director; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his position at the John T. Mather Hospital,

Kenneth D. Roberts holds the title of President of the Board of Directors of Mather Health System, Inc., Mather Management Corporation and the JTM Health Facilities Foundation; he is also the Secretary and member of Island Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and INRC Services Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Moreover, Kenneth D. Roberts is a participant of the Board of Directors of the Hospital Association of New York State, the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of Medical Liability Mutual Insurance Company, and the Chairman of the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council; and

WHEREAS, For his outstanding contributions to the medical administration field, Kenneth D. Roberts is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives and the recipient of the 2011 Monsignor Thomas J. Hartman Humanitarian Award and The 2015 Long Island Business News Outstanding CEO Award; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth D. Robert's ongoing efforts and notable achievements have significantly contributed to bettering the quality of life in his community; 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Kenneth D. Roberts upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the John T. Mather Founder's Award by the Golf Classic Committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Kenneth D. Roberts.