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Senate Resolution No. 2215

BY: Senator LARKIN

COMMENDING Ron and Jill Barton upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by Mount Saint Mary College on June 5, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Ron and Jill Barton upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by Mount Saint Mary College, to be celebrated at its 39th Annual Invitational Golf Tournament and 5th Annual Tennis Tournament on Monday, June 5, 2017, at The Powelton Club in Newburgh, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ron and Jill Barton have been selected as this year's Golf Honorees in recognition of their steadfast and unwavering commitment to Mount Saint Mary College and the community-at-large; and

WHEREAS, Lifelong residents of the Hudson Valley, Ron and Jill Barton have been married for over 34 years; and

WHEREAS, Together, the couple have served on the Boards of Directors of Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, The Orange County Chamber of Commerce, and The Johnes-Holden Home; in addition, they have been vital members of the Assisi Church Finance Committee, the Calvary Presbyterian Church Trustees, and the New York State Auto Dealers Association; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from the Newburgh Free Academy, Ron Barton graduated from Northwood University in Midland, Michigan, where he prepared for his career in the automobile industry; and

WHEREAS, Ron Barton began his career at the Newburgh Park Motors Chrysler dealership; in 1985, he and his father-in-law purchased Bard Chevrolet; today, Ron is also the owner of Barton Chevrolet Cadillac; and

WHEREAS, Jill Barton was a student at the Newburgh Free Academy; she earned her bachelor's degree at Northwood University, and obtained her Master of Business Administration degree at Mount Saint Mary College in 2009; and

WHEREAS, In 1986, Jill Barton began her career as a part-time accountant at St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital; she quickly rose through the ranks and currently holds the title of Vice President of Finance; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her work with St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital, Jill Barton serves as an independent consultant with Arbonne International; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of their community service, a period of constructive involvement, Ron and Jill Barton have stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With them throughout have been their two children, Jessica and Jason, both of whom have shown them love and support and rejoice in their many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by individuals for the benefit of others which Ron and Jill Barton have displayed throughout their lives; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Ron and Jill Barton upon the occasion of their designation for special recognition by Mount Saint Mary College on June 5, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ron and Jill Barton.