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Senate Resolution No. 4213

BY: Senator LARKIN

COMMEMORATING the 30th Anniversary of Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend those illustrious organizations of the State of New York whose focus and intent have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Inc., to be celebrated at its Pearl Gala on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, Hospice is a specialized concept of care designed to provide comfort and support to patients and their families when a life-limiting illness no longer responds to cure-oriented treatments; and

WHEREAS, The goal of hospice care is to improve the quality of a patient's life by offering comfort and dignity; this care is provided by a team of specially trained professionals, volunteers and family members; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Hospice addresses all symptoms of a disease, with a special emphasis on controlling a patient's pain and discomfort, and also provides the emotional, social and spiritual support for the patient as well as the patient's family; and

WHEREAS, Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Inc. was incorporated in 1988, as an outgrowth of an initial effort in 1981 by three community nurses to provide much needed support to individuals with terminal illnesses; and

WHEREAS, Certified by the New York State Department of Health and The Joint Commission, Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties provides end of life palliative care in the home, hospital, nursing home, group home, adult care facility or the Kaplan Family Hospice Residence, located in Newburgh; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties is the leading community resource for providing patients and families with compassionate physical, emotional and spiritual end of life care with comfort, dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished 30-year history, Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties is in direct correlation to the efforts of its staff and volunteers, whose involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of

excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties; 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 commemorate the 30th Anniversary of Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Inc.; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Inc.