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Senate Resolution No. 623

BY: Senator STEC

HONORING Dr. William Borgos upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2023 Community Health Care Association of New York State Dr. Jack Geiger Award

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to commend and recognize those esteemed individuals and institutions within the medical community for their extraordinary and sustained contributions to the progress of medicine and the improvement of life; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. William Borgos upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2023 Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS) Dr. Jack Geiger Award, celebrated during a statewide virtual presentation of the award from Chief Executive Officer of Hudson Headwaters, Dr. Tucker Slingerland; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William Borgos is receiving this auspicious award in recognition of his reflection of the legacy of Dr. Jack Geiger, a physician and civil rights activist who led the community health center model in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Having grown up in Queensbury, New York, Dr. William Borgos

holds a unique connection with the community and is committed to providing the best patient care; and

WHEREAS, Providing care to Hudson Headwaters patients since 2003, Dr. William Borgos became the Chief Medical Officer just before the COVID-19 pandemic, and courageously took on the role of leading the local emergency response; Dr. Borgos worked closely with public health officials and medical directors across the Capital Region, Adirondacks, and North Country; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William Borgos helped to secure federally-supplied monoclonal antibodies to treat the seriously ill and guided Hudson Headwaters' COVID-19 testing and vaccination efforts; during the time of the national and global crisis, Dr. Borgos was an integral part of the leadership team guiding the development of the network's team-based care initiatives, the introduction of telehealth options for patients, and oversight of the network's quality program; and

WHEREAS, A selfless leader, Dr. William Borgos is a valued member of the North Country and the CHCANYS community; he shares his devoted energy, wisdom, and skills with his peers and those he serves; and

WHEREAS, As a leader in his profession, Dr. William Borgos has proven himself to be a great asset to medicine and to the health and welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. William Borgos upon the occasion of his designation as

recipient of the 2023 Community Health Care Association of New York State Dr. Jack Geiger Award; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. William Borgos.