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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Joel M. Ingegno upon the occasion of his designation by Saint Francis Hospital and the Saint Francis Health Care Foundation as a recipient of the 2009 Franciscan Award

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

WHEREAS, Dr. Joel M. Ingegno has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Joel M. Ingegno upon the occasion of his designation by Saint Francis Hospital and the Saint Francis Health Care Foundation as a recipient of the 2009 Franciscan Award; and

WHEREAS, The Franciscan Award is the highest award bestowed by Saint Francis Hospital and the Saint Francis Health Care Foundation; it is given to individuals whose lives have mirrored the spirit of selfless giving exemplified by Saint Francis of Assisi and whose unwavering dedication to enhancing the quality of life in their community has made the Hudson Valley a better place to live; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joel M. Ingegno will be presented with this most prestigious award from the Sisters of Saint Francis, the Trustees of Saint Francis Hospital and the Saint Francis Health Care Foundation at the 28th Annual Franciscan Award Gala to be held at The Grandview in Poughkeepsie, New York, on Saturday, April 25, 2009; and

WHEREAS, A man of singular distinction, Dr. Joel M. Ingegno has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Joel M. Ingegno was one of the first gastroenterologists

in the Hudson Valley; he practiced for over 31 years at both Saint Francis and Vassar Hospitals and held consulting positions at St. Luke's Northern Dutchess, the former Highland Hospital in Beacon, New York, the former Hudson River Psychiatric Center and Green Haven State Prison; and WHEREAS, Dr. Joel M. Ingegno's wisdom, guidance and, most of all, unparalleled professionalism have earned him the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues and patients and all those he has come in contact with throughout his esteemed career; and

WHEREAS, A pillar of the community, Dr. Joel M. Ingegno's affiliations have included the Hyde Park Festival Theatre, Beaufort Memorial Hospital Foundation, the Culinary Institute of America, Riverside Bank and Regina Coeli Parish; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife and their two children, as well as their grandchild, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others as that demonstrated by Dr. Joel M. Ingegno over a lifetime of sacrifice and commitment; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, it is appropriate to publicly proclaim and commend them for the edification and emulation of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Joel M. Ingegno upon the occasion of his designation by Saint Francis Hospital and the Saint Francis Health Care Foundation as a recipient of the 2009 Franciscan Award on April 25, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Joel M. Ingegno.