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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Dr. Michael Castro upon the occasion of receiving the Extra Mile Award from To Life! at its 11th Annual Gala on May 5, 2009

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Dr. Michael Castro upon the occasion of receiving the Extra Mile Award from To Life! at its 11th Annual Gala on May 5, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Medical Director of the Cancer Medicine Center at St.
Mary's Hospital in Amsterdam, New York, Dr. Michael Castro is a New York
State Board Certified Medical Oncologist who has been giving quality
care to his patients for over 18 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Castro completed his residency at St. Luke's Hospital and a Fellowship in Neoplastic Diseases at the Darrell Ruttenberg Cancer Center at Mt. Sinai Medical Center, both in New York City; and

WHEREAS, After completing his post-graduate studies with the Biochemotherapy of Melanoma and Renal Cell Carcinoma Center in Houston, Texas, Dr. Michael Castro spent many years practicing at the C.R. Wood Center at Glens Falls Hospital; and

WHEREAS, Well-known for his compassion and passion for treating his patients, Dr. Michael Castro is a huge asset to the community and is dedicated to the continuous search for the cure of cancer; and WHEREAS, With Dr. Michael Castro throughout have been his wife, Sophie, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his many achievements; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1998, To Life! is a non-profit organization providing free-of-charge breast cancer education and support services in a 10-county region, including and surrounding Albany County; 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 the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for Dr. Michael Castro and to wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Michael Castro upon the occasion of receiving the Extra Mile Award from To Life! at its 11th Annual Gala on May 5, 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Michael Castro.