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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Evelyn S. Constantino upon the occasion of her 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, Evelyn S. Constantino has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special recognition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Evelyn S. Constantino upon the occasion of her 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, Evelyn S. Constantino 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 woman of singular distinction, Evelyn S. Constantino has been called upon to contribute her time and talents to countless endeavors and has always given of herself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Evelyn S. Constantino is the Director of Human Resources for Royal Carting Service Co., founded and owned by her father, Emil Panichi; she is a former trustee of the Saint Francis Health Care Foundation, having served on the Board from 1999 to 2008, and is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Panichi Holding Corp. and Valley 82 Corp.; and

WHEREAS, A proud parent of three children, Evelyn S. Constantino is also a former trustee of Dutchess Day School as well as past president of the Dutchess Day School Parent's Association; and

WHEREAS, As Chair of the Saint Francis Preschool and Communication Disorders Advisory Council, Evelyn S. Constantino was the driving force behind the Panichi Family Center for Communication and Learning at St. Francis Hospital in Beacon, New York, which opened in September 2007; she continues to play an integral role in the Center as it serves the growing number of special needs children in the region; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others as that demonstrated by Evelyn S. Constantino 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 Evelyn S. Constantino upon the occasion of her 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 Evelyn S. Constantino.