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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Vinod Jayam, M.D., upon the occasion of being selected as a 2010 Honoree by RotaCare at its Annual Caregivers' Ball on October 22, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character who have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State with their strong contributions to the community and model citizenship; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Vinod Jayam, M.D. upon the occasion of being selected as a 2010 Honoree by RotaCare at its Annual Caregivers' Ball to be held on Friday, October 22, 2010, at the Tam O'Shanter Club, Brookville, New York; and

WHEREAS, After 17 years, RotaCare, a non-profit organization, continues its mission to facilitate free health care for those who have the most need and the least access to medical care; this vital mission is accomplished by a dedicated volunteer staff and the financial contributions of organizations and individuals committed to making health care available to all in need; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Vinod Jayam 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, An alumnus of the esteemed Johns Hopkins School of Medicine with the prestigious fellowship from the American College of Cardiology, Vinod Jayam, M.D., is an eminent cardiac electrophysiologist at St. Francis Hospital, in one of the best Arrhythmia Centers in the country; and

WHEREAS, Not only has he conducted several thousand cardiac medical procedures in cardiac electrophysiology - a subspeciality of cardiology

dealing with the restoration or improvement of heart rhythm - Dr. Vinod Jayam is also recognized nationally in cardiac electrophysiology intervention; and

WHEREAS, With numerous articles and book chapters to his credit, Dr. Vinod Jayam is called on regularly to speak on heart arrhythmia and also consults on the use and development of defibrillators, pacemakers and other devices to regulate the heart; as a child, he dreamed of becoming a medical doctor; he drew on numerous lessons from his parents who grew up in poverty and succeeded despite the lack of opportunity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Vinod Jayam graduated at the top of his high school class as valedictorian and then went on to Kurnool Medical College in India where he was recognized with a number of awards; he then came to the United States and trained at Tufts University; he also completed residency and fellowship programs at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, University of Missouri-Columbia, and the Johns Hopkins Hospital; and

WHEREAS, A family man with a passion for giving back to the community, Dr. Jayam has led medical teams on several trips across the globe and to India on charitable cardiac missions, where he has performed cardiac procedures and surgeries for economically deprived patients as well as trained other physicians to carry on such work; 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Vinod Jayam, M.D., upon the occasion of being selected as a 2010 Honoree by RotaCare at its Annual Caregivers' Ball on October 22, 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Vinod Jayam.