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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Kenneth G. Giek upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Northern Dutchess Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees

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, Kenneth G. Giek has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Kenneth G. Giek upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Northern Dutchess Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees, to be celebrated at its Starlight Ball on Saturday, June 18, 2011, at the Dutchess County Fair Grounds in Rhinebeck, New York; and

WHEREAS, A 1965 graduate of Brewster High School, Kenneth G. Giek attended Illinois Wesleyan University and the Simmons School of Mortuary Science in Syracuse, New York; he did his apprenticeship at the Beecher Funeral Home in Brewster and became a New York State Licensed Funeral Director in January 1971; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth G. Giek owned and operated the Burnett and White Funeral Home from 1981-2010; throughout this time, he served on numerous professional boards and was a managing partner of Kol-Rocklea Memorials and Cemetery Services Associates; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth G. Giek has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Beyond his professional involvement, Kenneth G. Giek has found the time to get involved with numerous organizations around the community; he has served on a variety of boards including Cross River HealthCare, Inc., Hospice, Inc. of Dutchess Ulster Counties, First National Bank of Rhinebeck and Red Hook Advisory Board of Directors, to name just a few; and

WHEREAS, Even with so many demands on his time, Kenneth G. Giek found

the time to dedicate himself to Northern Dutchess Hospital and Foundation and Health Quest; he served as a founding board member of the Health Quest Board, and in numerous other positions; he remains an Emeritus Board Member of Northern Dutchess Hospital; and WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Kenneth G. Giek has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Karen; his three daughters and their spouses, as well as his grandchildren, 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 which Kenneth G. Giek has displayed throughout his life; 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 this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Kenneth G. Giek upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Northern Dutchess Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kenneth G. Giek.