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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Barry B. Perlman, M.D. upon the occasion of his retirement as Medical Director and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry at St. Joseph's Medical Center after many years of distinguished service

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality of life in the communities across this great State of New York is enriched by the diligence and compassionate commitment of those individuals whose singular purpose is the care and welfare of others; and WHEREAS, In the faithful performance of his duties and responsibilities, Dr. Barry B. Perlman's ongoing efforts and notable achievements have significantly contributed to bettering the quality of life in his community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Barry B. Perlman, M.D. upon the occasion of his retirement as Medical Director and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry at St. Joseph's Medical Center after many years of distinguished service, to be celebrated on Thursday, January 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Born January 16, 1945, in New York, New York, Barry B. Perlman graduated from the University of Wisconsin with Honors in 1967; he went on to earn his Medical degree from Yale University in 1971; and

WHEREAS, Since 1981, Dr. Barry B. Perlman, a Board-Certified Psychiatrist, has led St. Joseph's Medical Center Department of Psychiatry, which is one of the largest behavioral health providers in New York State, offering a comprehensive array of outpatient and inpatient mental health services, addiction treatment programs and crisis services through its two campuses in Yonkers and Harrison, New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his 34-year tenure, he continuously displayed

initiative and an unrelenting commitment when pursuing the highest of goals, and he has served as a role model of leadership to be emulated by all; and

WHEREAS, A Clinical Associate Professor of Psychiatry at New York Medical College since 1991, Dr. Barry B. Perlman has also held a variety of other academic appointments and teaching positions through which he has educated and prepared generations of psychiatrists for practice to provide quality care and treatment; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his current positions, Dr. Barry B. Perlman has served in numerous leadership roles throughout his illustrious medical career including, President of the New York State Psychiatric Association, as well as both President and Councilor of the New York Regional Chapter of the American Association of Psychiatric Administrators; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barry B. Perlman has served as Chairman of the New York State Mental Health Services Council, and as a member of the New York State Hospital Review and Planning Council, both of which were positions appointed by the Governor; he was also a member of the New York State Mental Health Planning Advisory Council's Task Force on Acute Inpatient Care, and the New York State Office of Mental Health Hudson River Regional Advisory Group on Needs Assessment Methodology; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of countless awards and accolades, Dr. Barry B. Perlman was the first-ever recipient of the American Psychiatric Association's (APA) Ronald A. Shellow Award in 2006, bestowed to him for contributions to the Assembly of the APA during his 18 years as a delegate; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Barry B. Perlman has authored and co-authored numerous publications in a number of scholarly journals, including YALE JOURNAL

OF BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE, JOURNAL OF AUTISM AND CHILDHOOD SCHIZOPHRENIA and the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH; he has also served on the editorial boards of YALE JOURNAL OF BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE, THE NEW PHYSI-

CIAN, and PATIENT'S DIGEST; and

WHEREAS, Active within the community he so ably serves, Dr. Barry B.

Perlman has been the Secretary of Mental Health News Education, Inc.

since 2005, and has served on the Board of Directors of MENTAL HEALTH

NEWS, now known as BEHAVIORAL HEALTH NEWS, since 2002; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to commend individ-

uals whose professional commitment and dedication enhance the excellence

of health care in their community and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Dr. Barry B. Perlman has served his

patients with compassion and care; he has contributed to the maintenance

and enhancement of the highest professional standards, sharing with

others his knowledge and expertise, as well as his dedication and

commitment to quality health care; and

WHEREAS, In completing his service as the Medical Director and Chair

of the Department of Psychiatry at St. Joseph's Medical Center, Dr.

Barry B. Perlman leaves behind more than mere bricks and mortar, he

leaves behind an indelible legacy evidenced by the patients, psychia-

trists and community he has so selflessly served which provides inspira-

tion for future generations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Barry B. Perlman, M.D. upon the occasion of his retirement as

Medical Director and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry at St.

Joseph's Medical Center after many years of distinguished service; and

be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to Barry B. Perlman, M.D.