

## 2015-J1403

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Neboysha R. Brashich upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Distinguished Trustee Award by the United Hospital Fund of Eastern Long Island Hospital

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Neboysha R. Brashich upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Distinguished Trustee Award by the United Hospital Fund of Eastern Long Island Hospital, to be celebrated with an Awards Luncheon on Monday, May 11, 2015, at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1991, this auspicious award recognizes extraordinary service, leadership and a deep commitment to not-for-profit hospitals in the New York Region; and

WHEREAS, Neboysha R. Brashich began serving on the Board of Trustees at Eastern Long Island Hospital (ELIH) in 1993, and served as Chairman of the Board from 1998 to 2003; prior to this appointment, he was an active member of the Development/Community Relations Committee where he co-chaired several Summer Galas and helped establish a wellness program for seniors; and

WHEREAS, A natural leader, Neboysha R. Brashich first served as Treasurer on the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Finance Committee before serving as Chairman of the Board for three consecutive terms; in

that capacity he represented ELIH on the Peconic Health Corporation Board, a former parent corporation of ELIH; and

WHEREAS, Well-respected by his peers, Neboysha R. Brashich has been actively involved in many community organizations on the North Fork; his leadership roles have included Chairman of the Southold Transportation Commission, Chairman of the North Fork Promotion Council, Co-chair of the Arts in Southold Town and Director of the East End Transportation Council; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Neboysha R. Brashich was recognized by the Suffolk County Legislature in 1999 as Volunteer of the Year, and was awarded the prestigious Theodore Roosevelt Award, established by the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, for his extraordinary contributions to his community hospital in 2000; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Neboysha R. Brashich served as Governor, Secretary/Treasurer and Vice-President on the HANYS/Healthcare Trustees of New York State Board as well as the Committee on Governance (COG) while serving on the COG Leadership Committee for the American Hospital Association; and

WHEREAS, As a Government Affairs Representative, Neboysha R. Brashich is a steadfast advocate for Eastern Long Island Hospital; he strongly believes in sensible healthcare reform and has proactively sought solutions for keeping essential services local; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he has tirelessly worked to coordinate efficiencies with other community and state hospitals in the area while reducing the duplication of services on the East End of Long Island based on the recommendations of the Berger Commission; and

WHEREAS, Neboysha R. Brashich has been a driving force in the community and a great ally for Eastern Long Island Hospital for the past 25

years; his healthcare advocacy efforts have been instrumental in keeping key health services at ELIH for the residents of the North Fork and Shelter Island; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Prunella, and their two sons, as well as seven 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 Neboysha R. Brashich 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 Neboysha R. Brashich upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Distinguished Trustee Award by the United Hospital Fund of Eastern Long Island Hospital; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Neboysha R. Brashich.