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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Ellis Medicine upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Advancement of Women in the WERCplace Award from the Capital District Women's Employment and Resource Center

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in the communities across New York State is reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the advancement of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Ellis Medicine upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Advancement of Women in the WERCplace Award from the Capital District Women's Employment and Resource Center which was celebrated at its Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Women's Employment and Resource Center (WERC) is a not-for-profit organization which assists women in improving important self-attributes in order to successfully rejoin the workforce; since 1988 the Center has provided services to over 6,400 women in the Capital District; and

WHEREAS, The Advancement of Women in the WERCplace Award is presented to an organization in recognition of its longstanding efforts to remove barriers which keep women from achieving financial independence and success; and

WHEREAS, For over 130 years, Ellis Medicine has provided medical services to the Capital District across their four campuses and five service locations; and

WHEREAS, Today, Ellis medicine operates a 438-bed community and teaching healthcare system that employs over 3,300 people and provides various inpatient and outpatient services, including: cardiac, cancer, emergency, neuroscience and women's services; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed health care organization has made it a priority to have equality in their workplace and has worked to create an environment which helps women succeed; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Ellis Medicine offers numerous programs and services to assist women professionally, including a comprehensive Career Ladder Program, Tuition Assistance Program, and New Leaders Training Program, as well as mentorship opportunities for professional growth; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by a company for the benefit of others which Ellis Medicine has displayed throughout the years; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations 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 Ellis Medicine upon the occasion of its designation as recipient of the Advancement of Women in the WERCplace Award from the Capital District Women's Employment and Resource Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ellis Medicine.