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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Bruce Siegel, MD, MPH upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by SUNY Downstate Medical Center on April 9, 2016

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Bruce Siegel, MD, MPH upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by SUNY Downstate Medical Center at its Celebrate Downstate 2016 event on Saturday, April 9, 2016, at The Plaza Hotel, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bruce Siegel is being honored for his outstanding achievements and commitment to humanitarian service which have advanced medicine and transformed lives locally, nationally, and internationally; and

WHEREAS, For over 130 years, SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York, has strived to provide outstanding education of physicians, scientists, nurses and other healthcare professionals; advanced knowledge through cutting edge research and translated it into practice; cared for and improved the lives of its globally diverse communities; and fostered an environment which embraces cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Bruce Siegel earned his bachelor's degree from Princeton University and his Doctor of Medicine from Cornell University Medical College; he furthered his education by obtaining his Master of Public Health from The Johns Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public

Health; and

WHEREAS, Since joining America's Essential Hospitals in 2010, Dr.

Bruce Siegel has guided the association toward realizing its strategic vision of helping members transform into integrated delivery systems and leaders in access and quality; in addition, this vital medical institution works to secure sustainable funding for essential hospitals, which fill a safety net role in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Dr. Bruce Siegel has helped shape the association's work in advocacy, member support, and quality, as well as led the launch of the Transformation Center, a catalyst for innovative change to improve quality and safety and a part of the Essential Hospitals Institute, the association's research arm; and

WHEREAS, Under Dr. Siegel's luminous leadership, America's Essential Hospitals established the nation's first safety net quality network under the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' Partnership for Patients; through this Essential Hospitals Engagement Network, association members collaborate to improve safety and help eliminate care disparities for vulnerable patients; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Bruce Siegel, MD, MPH upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by SUNY Downstate Medical Center on April 9, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Bruce Siegel, MD, MPH.