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Senate Resolution No. 218

BY: Senator JACOBS

COMMENDING Kenmore Mercy Hospital upon the occasion of being named a Top Hospital by The Leapfrog Group

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those institutions of long-standing which have faithfully served the health needs of the community and its citizens with diligence and compassionate commitment; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Kenmore Mercy Hospital upon the occasion of being named a Top Hospital by The Leapfrog Group; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care; the flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey collects and transparently reports hospital performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions; and

WHEREAS, The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers

protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections; and

WHEREAS, Under the luminous leadership of President and CEO James Millard, Kenmore Mercy Hospital received this prestigious distinction for its dedicated and proven commitment to both patient safety and quality; and

WHEREAS, One of 115 Top Hospitals recognized across the country, Kenmore Mercy Hospital has the proud distinction of being the only facility in New York State to be named a Leapfrog Top General Hospital; this outstanding recognition is a testament to the hard work and commitment of its entire staff and their efforts to deliver safe, high-quality care every day of the year; and

WHEREAS, Kenmore Mercy Hospital was selected as a Top Hospital based on the results of the 2016 Leapfrog Hospital Survey which evaluated performance across many areas of hospital care such as infection rates, physician staffing within the Intensive Care Unit and a hospital's ability to prevent medication errors; and

WHEREAS, Being acknowledged as a Top Hospital is an incredible feat achieved by less than three percent of hospitals nationwide, with this honor, Kenmore Mercy Hospital has definitely established its commitment to safer and higher quality care; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to publicly recognize those organizations that have achieved notable accomplishments

and have contributed to the betterment of the residents of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Kenmore Mercy Hospital upon the occasion of being named a Top Hospital by The Leapfrog Group; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James Millard, President and CEO, Kenmore Mercy Hospital.