

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Francis Greenburger upon the occasion of his designation as Honoree at the 26th Annual Columbia Memorial Hospital Ball on June 7, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of organizations, institutions and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Francis Greenburger upon the occasion of his designation as Honoree at the 26th Annual Columbia Memorial Hospital Ball, to be held at The Point in Catskill, New York on Saturday, June 7, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Each year, Columbia Memorial Hospital celebrates its legacy, begun in 1893, of providing quality health care to the people and communities of Columbia, Greene and Dutchess Counties with its Annual Columbia Memorial Hospital Ball; and

WHEREAS, The Columbia Memorial Hospital Ball honors those individuals whose active involvement and generous support greatly assist the hospital in its mission to provide the community with safe, high quality, comprehensive health care services in a dignified and compassionate environment; and

WHEREAS, Francis Greenburger is the founder, chairman, chief executive officer and guiding force behind Time Equities, Inc., a successful real estate firm with extensive properties worldwide; he is well known throughout the real estate industry for his ability to anticipate real estate trends and changing market conditions; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man has been a donor, leader, and friend of Columbia Memorial Hospital for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, A steadfast supporter of the hospital's mission, Francis Greenburger was Chair of the Fulfilling the Dream capital campaign, and was co-Chair of the 2nd Hundred Years of Caring campaign, as well as a significant philanthropic contributor to both; and

WHEREAS, Francis Greenburger is the top sponsor of the hospital's annual tennis tournament which is named in his honor, and is a major donor to the annual appeal each year; and

WHEREAS, Francis Greenburger has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable man is the founder and principal benefactor of Omi International Arts Center, a 20 year-old not-for-profit arts colony and educational center which hosts residency programs for visual artists, writers, dancers, musicians, and architects from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Francis Greenburger founded the Greenburger Center for Social and Criminal Justice, which advocates for reforms to the criminal justice system, and is also an active board member of several not-for-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Francis Greenburger has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Isabelle Autones, and their four children, Morgan, Noah, Julia, and Claire, 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 this consummate philanthropist has displayed throughout his life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Francis Greenburger upon the occasion of his designation as Honoree at the Columbia-Memorial Hospital's 26th Annual Columbia Memorial Hospital Ball; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Francis Greenburger.