

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri, MD upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 **Sullivan County Democrat** honoring Professional Women and Women in Business

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri has given not only of her time and energies but also of her competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 **Sullivan County Democrat** honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and

WHEREAS, Since the young age of nine, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri knew she was going to become a brilliant Neurologist; and

WHEREAS, Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from SUNY Stony Brook in 1992; she then obtained her Medical Doctor from UMDNJ - Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, From 2002-2007, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri was a resident at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center; during her last year, she was a Neurophysiology Fellow with combined EEG/EMG Training; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri was a Neurology Resident from 2003-2006, and served as the Chief Neurology Resident from 2005-2006; in 2003, she successfully completed her Internal Medicine Internship; and

WHEREAS, Well-respected and admired for her steadfast commitment and renowned skill, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri held the position of Chairwoman of the ORMC Department of Neuroscience in 2013 and 2014; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri became a vital member of the American Academy of Neurology and began to work at Crystal Run Healthcare, where she is affiliated with ORMC, CRMC and St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital; and

WHEREAS, When she is not working, Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri enjoys spending time with her family and running in local 5K races; and

WHEREAS, With her throughout have been her husband of 25 years, Tom, and her two children, Behailu and Abigiya, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of her life and rejoice in her accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri has displayed throughout her life; 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 Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri upon the occasion of her designation for special recognition by the 2016 **Sullivan County Democrat** honoring Professional Women and Women in Business; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Zewditu Bekele-Arcuri.