Assembly Resolution No. 252

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CONGRATULATING Anne Constantino upon the occasion of her retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to Horizon Corporations

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Anne Constantino upon the occasion of her retirement after 37 years of distinguished service to Horizon Corporations; she will officially retire from the esteemed position of President and CEO in June of 2023; and

WHEREAS, Anne Constantino began her illustrious career with Horizon Corporations in 1986 as a senior counselor at the organization's first addiction clinic; and

WHEREAS, As the company grew, Anne Constantino moved into clinical and operations leadership roles and was appointed to her current position as President and Chief Executive Officer in 1994; in this role, she leads the development and implementation of strategic and annual operating plans for Horizon Health Services, Horizon Village and Horizon Health Alliance; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary woman is credited with guiding Horizon through expansion to serve more counties and creating innovative and sustainable support services for patients; the organization now has 20 locations in Western New York, a tele-network across the state, and two residential and inpatient campuses in Erie and Niagara counties; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Horizon staff has grown to more than 800 clinical and administrative members through this development period; and

WHEREAS, Anne Constantino has been an integral part of Horizon's leadership team since 2006 while serving as its Chief Financial Officer; prior to serving this vital organization, Anne spent 16 years in Ernst & Young's health care consulting division where she conducted turnaround projects; and

WHEREAS, Under the able leadership of Anne Constantino, and with a rigorous focus on a workplace culture of respect and inclusion, Horizon has been selected as a New York State Best Companies to Work for the past 14 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her role with Horizon Corporations, Anne Constantino is the founding member and current President of Value Network, a membership organization of Western New York behavioral and

health care providers working on transformation of the health care system to improve patient outcomes and decrease costs; and

WHEREAS, Anne Constantino holds a Master of Science degree in Counseling and Educational Psychology, and received her Leadership Coaching Certification from the University of Buffalo School of Management, Center for Leadership and Organizational Effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to her community, Anne Constantino is an active member of several industry organizations and Boards including: NYS Governor's Opioid Settlement Funds Board, March 2022-present; Executive Committee member, NYS Addiction Services Providers, 2011-present; Executive Committee, Coalition for Community Services, A Network of New York SUD treatment agencies, 2010-present; and Amherst Chamber of Commerce, Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, For nearly four decades, Anne Constantino rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to Horizon Corporations, truly earning the admiration, esteem and affection of her colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the occurrence of such a compassionate blending of strength, leadership, intellect, and commitment as that demonstrated by Anne Constantino over a lifetime of sacrifice and dedication to others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Anne Constantino upon the occasion of her retirement, and to wish her well in all her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anne Constantino.