I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 21st day of January, 2021 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions of Erie County who enhance the quality of life in the community through their efforts; and

WHEREAS, Erie County has a rich history of caring for the aging population, recognizing the living history and precious resource of our senior citizens and valuing their lives and contributions to our community; and

WHEREAS, nursing home staff is the vital link to providing nutrition, healthcare, and medical services as well as safety, trust, dignity and respect to the residents they serve. Nursing home staff consistently go above and beyond the call of duty to protect and serve those in their care, often becoming a lifeline to residents and family members; and

WHEREAS, Jennie B. Richmond Nursing Home opened in 1974 as an addition to the Bertrand Chaffee Hospital with both facilities having been named after residents Bertrand Chaffee and his wife Jennie B. Richmond Chaffee who had donated their property to be used solely as a hospital after their death; and

WHEREAS, the Jennie B. Richmond Nursing Home and Bertrand Chaffee Hospital exist to improve the quality and efficiency of healthcare services delivered to its patients; and

WHEREAS, Jennie B. Richmond Nursing Home and Bertrand Chaffee Hospital are committed to a patient-focused approach that ensures high quality, extraordinary value and excellent patient experiences.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor Jennie B. Richmond Nursing Home for its commitment, dedication, perseverance and consistency of care for its residents during the immense challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic and to recognize the profound sacrifices and contributions made by the staff and administration to fulfill their mission to the residents and families they serve.

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JOHN J. MILLS
Erie County Legislator – 11th District