

## THE SENATE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

STATE HOUSE, TRENTON, N.J.

## JOINT LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION

By Senator Pou, Assemblywoman SUMTER and Assemblyman WIMBERLY

- WHEREAS, The Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey are pleased to honor and congratulate Donna M. Koch-Kapturski M.D., a highly esteemed member of her City of Garfield, Bergen County, community, who has been chosen to serve with distinction as Grand Marshal of the Pulaski Day Parade in New York City on October 2, 2016; and,
- **WHEREAS**, As the first solo female Grand Marshal in more than thirteen years, Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski will ably represent the Polish-American community during this prestigious event, bearing witness to the high regard in which she has been held by her peers and colleagues; and,
- WHEREAS, The daughter of Polish immigrants, Donna M. Koch-Kapturski graduated from Rutgers University and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey before becoming a City and County physician for the Hudson County Municipality and Labor Union Workers, and she currently shares her wisdom and expertise in her own medical practice, Comprehensive Family Care, in Garfield; and,
- WHEREAS, Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski has made significant contributions as a Doping Control Officer for the United States Anti-Doping Agency, including the testing of athletes before sports events, and she has lent her talents as a physician at the finish line of the New York City and Boston Marathons; and,
- WHEREAS, Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski has demonstrated superb public-spiritedness as a member of the Planning Board and Board of Education for the City of Garfield; and,
- WHEREAS, A dedicated participant in numerous events for Polish-American community organizations since her youth, Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski was the respected Executive Vice President of the General Pulaski Memorial Parade Committee for five years, and she has given generously of her time and energies as a member of the Board of Directors of the Polish Cultural Home in Passaic; and,
- **WHEREAS**, She has been upheld in her life's efforts by her husband, Mariusz, and she takes great pride in her children, Darren, Daniel, and Audrey; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Within all the spheres of her life and work, Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski has established a model to emulate and set a standard of excellence toward which others might strive; and,
- **WHEREAS**, Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski will be honored during the Garfield Council Meeting on April 26, 2016; now, therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:
- That this Legislature hereby joins in honoring 2016 Pulaski Day Parade Grand Marshal Dr. Donna M. Koch-Kapturski, praises her meritorious record of service and commitment, and extends sincere best wishes for a successful and enjoyable Parade; and,

Be It Further Resolved, That a duly authenticated copy of this resolution, signed by the Senate President and the Assembly Speaker and attested by the Senate Secretary and the Assembly Clerk, be transmitted to Donna M. Koch-Kapturski M.D.

Jennifer A. McQuaid

Dana M. Burley

Jennifer A. McQuaid Secretary of the Senate Dana M. Burley Clerk of the General Assembly

President of the Senate

Speaker of the General Assembly