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### **CATON RECEIVES VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. – Joan Caton of St. James, NY received the 2010 Adult Volunteer of the Year Award for her volunteer service at the Nesconset Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation in Nesconset, NY yesterday. The award from the New York State Health Facilities Association (NYSHFA) was presented at the 2010 Volunteer of the Year Awards program during the association’s annual convention in Lake Placid, NY.

Ms. Caton has volunteered at the Nesconset Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation for two years, spending more than 100 hours in the past 12 months leading group discussions and tending to the facility’s gardens.

“Joan’s commitment and dedication to our residents is greatly appreciated,” said Robert Heppenheimer, executive director of the Nesconset Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation. “Her volunteerism is truly exemplary and deserving of this prestigious award from NYSHFA.”

NYSHFA’s Volunteer of the Year Awards Program recognizes outstanding volunteers serving in skilled nursing facilities.

Winners received an engraved obelisk and were invited to attend NYSHFA’s annual convention.

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*The New York State Health Facilities Association (NYSHFA)/New York State Center for Assisted Living (NYSCAL) is a statewide membership organization of more than 270 licensed skilled nursing and assisted living facilities. The membership is diversified and represents individual and multi-facility operations of proprietary, voluntary and government sponsorship. Members take care of more than 44,000 ill, aged and infirm New Yorkers. Members of NYSHFA/NYSCAL are dedicated to the highest standards of care and to the quality of life of all residents.*