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## Riverhead Resident and Hospital Volunteer Elected President of Regional Auxilian Group

HAUPPUAGE, N.Y. (July 5, 2018) – Riverhead resident Thelma Booker, a Peconic Bay Medical Center, Northwell Health volunteer, was elected to a one-year term as president of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries. Her term expires June 2019.

Booker is an avid fund raiser for the hospital and local community organizations, utilizing her skills as a playwright to produce one-act plays as a unique fund raising event. She has taught Sunday school for 45 years and enjoys any activities that ultimately help children. Before her appointment as auxilian president, she served as president and vice president for the Peconic Bay Medical Center auxilian board.

In her role as president of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries, Booker will continue to lead this organization of hospital volunteers that is aligned with the Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council, the organization that represents Long Island's not-for-profit and public hospitals.

Hospital auxilians play a vital role in the delivery of compassionate care at each of their facilities and are major fund raisers for their respective institutions. Collectively, Long Island's volunteer auxilians raise millions through gift shop and thrift shop sales, fashion shows, boutiques, and other events. In addition, they are actively involved in advocating on federal, state, and local levels on behalf of their hospitals and the thousands of patients that these institutions serve each day.

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Riverhead resident Thelma Booker, a volunteer from Peconic Bay Medical Center, Northwell Health is the newly elected President of the Nassau-Suffolk Council of Hospital Auxiliaries.