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Young girl an inspiration to many in health field

I express my deep appreciation for the July 2 article by Paul Grondahl about Hope Genoski. Paul caught the essence of Hope so very well. Hope was a welcoming loving presence to so very many.

It is important also to highlight the outstanding professionals at Albany Medical Center Children's Hospital and Stepping Stones (Pediatric unit at Northwoods at Hilltop) in Niskayuna. The NICU, PICU and Hilltop staff not only provide excellent medical treatment, but excellent bedside manner and love to the children in their care.

My wife and I have profound gratitude and love for the many staff

members at these institutions from all disciplines — medical, therapies, custodial, dietary and transportation — who took care of our family members past and present. Hope was only one of so many children whose lives were lengthened and enhanced by these wonderful human beings.

Laurel Gugliuzza helps exemplify the caring nature of the staff not only by fostering Hope, but she along with so many other members of the interdisciplinary staff take daily care of all the residents of the pediatric unit. We are forever in their debt.

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