LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim October 1, 2014, as Love an Elder Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, Our elders have raised, coached, taught, and shared with younger generations; and

WHEREAS, Many of our elders were hard working folks who comprised the backbone of America's "Greatest" generation; and

WHEREAS, Our elders are history makers; and

WHEREAS, Our elders are neighbors who often need some help in order to live in the homes they love; and

WHEREAS, October 1st is recognized by the United Nations as the International Day to Honor Older Persons; and

WHEREAS, New York City declared October 1, 2012, as Love an Elder Day; and

WHEREAS, Love an Elder Day means increased awareness of a too often forgotten generation and strives to translate awareness into improved community care at a time when our eldercare system is overburdened; seniors age 85 and over are the fastest growing group in our population; longevity is increasing; families are too often living at great distances from oldest members; and community care is a proven part of the solution; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Legislature affirms its commitment to exercise a leadership role in urging all its citizens to support Love an Elder Day; and

WHEREAS, It is most appropriate that this great Empire State recognizes the worthy and beneficial purposes of celebrating Love an Elder Day; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to call attention to events which serve to bring people together for the united purpose of actively pursuing improvements in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim October 1, 2014, as Love an Elder Day in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York.