LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim March 20-26, 2016, as Surveyors Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Surveyors Week

WHEREAS, There are more than 1,500 professional land surveyors in New York State, and more than 45,000 professional land surveyors nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Land surveyors were instrumental in the formation of the layout of property boundaries in New York and the rest of the United States, providing our citizens the opportunity to enjoy the dream of property ownership; and

WHEREAS, United States Presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and Abraham Lincoln all served as surveyors, contributing to the historical mapping of the United States in its early years; and

WHEREAS, The nature of surveying has developed since the Colonial Era to include hydrographic surveys, engineering surveys utilized in the study and selection of engineering construction, geodetic surveys to determine the precise global positioning for activities such as aircraft and missile navigation, and cartographic surveys used for mapping and charting; and

WHEREAS, The surveying profession in New York requires special education and experience, training, the knowledge of applied mathematics, other technical and research skills, and passage of both a national and state-specific examination; and

WHEREAS, The role of the professional surveyor has been, and continues to be, integral in the development and advancement of our State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, There are 18 affiliated regional professional land surveying organizations in New York State that combine to form the New York State Association of Professional Land Surveyors and are affiliated with the National Society of Professional Land Surveyors; and

WHEREAS, New Yorkers recognize the important contributions of professional land surveyors to the historical and current layout of the state and country, and acknowledge the important decisions that professional land surveyors make on the basis of specialized knowledge and expertise; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim March 20-26, 2016, as Surveyors Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Surveyors Week; 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.