LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May of 2016, as Mental Health Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in participating in events designed to raise awareness of serious health issues; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May of 2016, as Mental Health Month in the State of New York, in conjunction with Mental Health America's May is Mental Health Month; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health Month began in 1949, to raise awareness of mental health conditions and mental wellness for all; and

WHEREAS, This year, Mental Health America will address one important issue through its theme: "Life with a Mental Illness"; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health America is calling on individuals to share what life with a mental illness feels like for them in words, pictures and videos; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater public awareness of this health issue, and more must be done to increase activity at the local, State and national levels; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May of 2016, as Mental Health Month 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.