

BY: Senator HOYLMAN

COMMEMORATING the March for Science on April 22,
2017

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those events and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the March for Science is to champion robustly funded and publicly communicated science as a pillar of human freedom and prosperity, and to unite as a diverse, nonpartisan group to call for science that upholds the common good and for political leaders and policy makers to enact evidence based policies in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, Science is a tool for seeking answers to society's most pressing problems and should influence policy and guide our long-term decision making; and we should strive to oppose efforts to discredit scientific consensus and restrict scientific discovery; and

WHEREAS, Scientific breakthroughs can change the course of our society for the better, such as eradicating deadly diseases, advancing new modes of transportation, mapping the human genome, and fighting the impacts of human-induced climate change; and

WHEREAS, The State of New York is a hub for exceptional scientific work, ranging from nanotechnology advancements to cutting-edge agricultural science to medical research to end cancer, with many top-ranked scientific institutions of research and learning; and

WHEREAS, The March for Science serves as a starting point for more engagement between the scientific community and policy; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body congratulates all the scientists and scientifically-minded citizens of New York State who have embraced the responsible work of using science to preserve society for future generations, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the March for Science on April 22, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the March for Science.