

BY: Senator PARKER

MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 5, 2017, as Go for Broke Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observation of National Go for Broke Day

WHEREAS, There are times in our lives when we have to face our fears, push past all boundaries, and pursue our goals with tenacity and determination; this day is dedicated to "going for broke", a term taken to mean that you are giving everything you got; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 5, 2017, as Go for Broke Day in the State of New York, in observance of National Go for Broke Day; and

WHEREAS, The phrase "go for broke" means to risk it all, even if it means losing everything; it was adopted from the United States Army 442nd Infantry Regimental Combat Team's unit motto "Go for Broke", which was derived from the Hawaiian pidgin phrase used by craps shooters risking all their money in one roll of the dice; and

WHEREAS, Considered to be the most decorated infantry regiment in the history of the United States Army, the 442nd Infantry Regimental Combat Team was a fighting unit composed mainly of American soldiers of Japanese descent who had volunteered to fight during World War II; and

WHEREAS, On April 5, 1945, Sadao S. Munemori, a member of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team risked it all to save two of his men at the cost of his own life and did much to clear the path for his company's victorious advance near Seravezza, Italy; and

WHEREAS, Many of us go about our daily lives playing it safe, not taking big chances; Go for Broke Day is a day to put it all on the line, and take a risk; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 5, 2017, as Go for Broke Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Go for Broke Day; 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.