

BY: Senator COMRIE

MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim
July 1, 2018, as Postal Worker Day in the State of
New York

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes great pride in participating in days of awareness of those vital professions that affect the quality of life for the many New Yorkers throughout this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim July 1, 2018, as Postal Worker Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Postal Worker Day; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1997 by a Seattle-area carrier who wanted to honor fellow employees, National Postal Worker Day is celebrated annually on July 1st; it is a day to appreciate and thank the numerous men and women who work consistently and diligently to deliver all of our mail and packages; and

WHEREAS, There are approximately 490,000 postal workers across the United States who work in all kinds of weather including extreme heat and cold, rain and sleet and blizzards, yet continue to persevere six days a week; across the United States, postal workers walk an average of four to eight miles carrying a full load of letters and packages and delivering them promptly to each of our doorsteps; and

WHEREAS, Besides severe weather, postal workers have dealt with unusual packages; in 1913, the postal service started delivering packages up to a maximum 11 pounds; the most surprising package to arrive for delivery was a small child who was mailed at a cost of 15 cents to his grandmother just a few miles away; this practice continued for just over a year until the postmaster general was able to put regulations in place prohibiting it; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, representing the people of the State of New York, to bring awareness to postal workers and the essential role they play in the everyday life of all citizens; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim July 1, 2018, as Postal Worker 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.