

BY: Senator STAVISKY

COMMEMORATING the 100th Anniversary of the
American Physical Therapy Association

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those organizations within our midst which have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals and organizations it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the American Physical Therapy Association; and

WHEREAS, On January 15, 1921, at the Keens Chophouse in New York City, a group of 274 women, many of whom rehabilitated soldiers during World War I, came together to found the American Women's Physical Therapeutic Association; and

WHEREAS, Over the next several decades, the organization grew to become the American Physical Therapy Association, one of America's largest associations, embracing a community of physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, and students working toward empowering the profession and transforming society; and

WHEREAS, Today, the American Physical Therapy Association is an organization of over 100,000 members, promoting a mission of building a community that advances the profession of physical therapy to improve the health of society; and

WHEREAS, Remaining true to its mission, the American Physical Therapy Association engages and empowers its members to be leading voices in the health care industry, positive influencers of the physical therapy profession, and a strong collective force for improving the collective human experience; and

WHEREAS, The American Physical Therapy Association promotes evidence-based practice, which includes an integration of the best available evidence, clinical expertise, and patient values and circumstances related to patient and client management, practice management, and health policy decision-making; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished 100-year history, the American Physical Therapy Association has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The success of the American Physical Therapy Association is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated members, whose

involvement is, and always has been, characterized by an impressive commitment to the profession, an unbridled enthusiasm, and an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the patients they treat; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the American Physical Therapy Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the American Physical Therapy Association.