

Assembly Resolution No. 376

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim
October 24-30, 2021, as Respiratory Care Week in the
State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official weeks that are set aside to increase awareness of serious issues that affect the lives of citizens of New York 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 October 24-30, 2021, as Respiratory Care Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Respiratory Care Week; and

WHEREAS, Hard-working doctors, nurses and respiratory therapists, primarily in the United States and Canada, care for patients with breathing difficulties due to chronic conditions like asthma; and

WHEREAS, Celebrated annually, Respiratory Care Week highlights the information we need to keep us breathing well so we can enjoy a great quality of life; and

WHEREAS, This year's theme is Respiratory Care: Changing the World One Breath at a Time, and encourages therapists and departments to organize events and festivities within their workplaces and communities to: celebrate by hosting activities to honor and reward respiratory therapists for their contributions; motivate by encouraging patients and their families in their battles against lung disease; educate by taking awareness of lung diseases like COPD and asthma to the community; inspire by building the desire in others to enter the respiratory care profession; and learn by maximizing personal and professional skills with new resources; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater public awareness of this serious 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 October 24-30, 2021, as Respiratory Care Week 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.