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CONGRATULATING the American Pakistani Public Affairs Committee for its contributions to New York State

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those who foster ethnic pride and enhance the profile of cultural diversity which strengthens the fabric of the communities 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 congratulate the American Pakistani Public Affairs Committee for its contributions to New York State, promoting understanding and cooperation between New York State and the Provinces of Punjab and Sindh in Pakistan, and recognizing their efforts in organizing cultural events, educational programs, and business initiatives that have strengthened the ties between the people of New York State and the citizens of Punjab and Sindh; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body further encourages continued collaboration between New York State and the Provinces of Punjab and Sindh, with the aim of fostering friendship, mutual respect, and economic partnerships that benefit the citizens of all regions; and

WHEREAS, The American Pakistani Public Affairs Committee (APPAC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the interests of the Pakistani-American community and promoting understanding and friendship between the United States and Pakistan; and

WHEREAS, APPAC has been instrumental in fostering relations between New York State and the Provinces of Punjab and Sindh in Pakistan, contributing to cultural exchange, economic development, and mutual cooperation; and

WHEREAS, The work of APPAC has enhanced the bond between the people of New York State and the citizens of Punjab and Sindh by promoting goodwill, tolerance and collaboration between the two regions; and

WHEREAS, There is a strong desire to foster a mutually beneficial, bilateral relationship between New York State and Pakistan; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to acknowledge various cultures of people who add to the overall diversity of our State and Nation, and on this occasion, we take the opportunity to recognize the contributions made by the American Pakistani Public Affairs Committee, and extend best wishes to all of its dedicated members; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to honor those organizations and individuals of significance who add strength, vigor, and inspiration to the ethnic diversity and quality of life in the

communities of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the American Pakistani Public Affairs Committee for its contributions to New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the American Pakistani Public Affairs Committee.