Assembly Resolution No. 1288

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RECOGNIZING May 6, 2026, as a day of special tribute to the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program and its impact across New York State

WHEREAS, The Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program is a national initiative that provides entrepreneurs with practical business education, access to capital, and support services to help grow their enterprises and create jobs; and

WHEREAS, Through its comprehensive curriculum and peer learning model, the program equips participants with the tools, knowledge, and networks necessary to scale their businesses and strengthen local economies; and

WHEREAS, In New York State, the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program has supported a diverse range of enterprises across industries, contributing to economic development, job creation, and long-term business sustainability; and

WHEREAS, The program's emphasis on data-driven decision making, strategic growth planning, and operational excellence enhances the capacity of businesses to compete and succeed in an evolving economy; and

WHEREAS, By fostering collaboration and connection among participants, the program strengthens a statewide network of business leaders and ensures they are prepared to take their seat at the table in shaping economic policy and development strategies; and

WHEREAS, Strong economic policy is most effective when informed by real-world experience, and programs like Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses help elevate informed perspectives, strengthening the quality, durability, and effectiveness of policymaking; and

WHEREAS, The program plays a critical role in creating pathways for meaningful engagement between business leaders and policymakers, ensuring that those driving economic activity have a seat at the table and a voice in shaping New York's economic future; and

WHEREAS, The Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program contributes to vibrant commercial corridors, encourages investment, and supports the overall economic vitality of communities throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, The week of May 3-9, 2026, is recognized as National Small Business Week, providing an opportunity to acknowledge programs that drive growth, innovation, and opportunity across the State; and

WHEREAS, On Wednesday, May 6, 2026, participants and representatives of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program will convene at the

New York State Capitol, highlighting the program's impact and engaging directly with policymakers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize May 6, 2026, as a day of special tribute to the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program and its impact across New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Commissioner of Empire State Development and the leadership of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program.