LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, New York Chapter 8, upon the occasion of hosting the organization's fall Tri-State Conference in Latham, New York, October 9-11, 2010

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals that are devoted to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, New York Chapter 8, upon the occasion of hosting the organization's fall Tri-State Conference; this auspicious occasion will take place at the Holiday Inn in Latham, New York, on October 9-11, 2010; and

WHEREAS, The Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club is a non-profit fraternal organization consisting of active and retired law enforcement men and women who enjoy riding motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1974 by several law enforcement officers from the Bangor, Maine, area, the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club has 599 chapters and almost 20,000 members in 29 countries; and

WHEREAS, The purposes and goals of the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club are to: provide for the mutual assistance, enjoyment, entertainment, education, physical, mental and social benefit of its members and the general public; promote and advance the sport of motorcycling and the safety of motorcycling; serve the interests of motorcycle owners and users; promote by example and any other acceptable means, safe use, operation and enjoyment of motorcycles; and develop a fraternal spirit between law enforcement personnel and the general public; and

WHEREAS, The Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club has eleven conferences; the Tri-State Conference covers the states of New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania and is the largest conference in the Blue Knights organization with approximately 3029 members; there are 62 chapters within the Tri-State Conference; it holds a Spring Presidents meeting and Fall Conference meeting each year; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, and to congratulate it on its achievements and progress; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments, and which serve to bring people together for such constructive and beneficial purposes, are brought to our attention, they should be recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, New York Chapter 8, upon the occasion of hosting the organization's fall Tri-State Conference; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Blue Knights Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, New York Chapter 8.