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MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim
May 4, 2019, as I Love My Park Day in the State of
New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to increase public awareness and appreciation of New York's many state and local parks as well as to encourage individuals across various communities to come together and help preserve, protect, clean, and care for these public lands and historic sites; 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 May 4, 2019, as I Love My Park Day in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, In 2018, through the commitment of volunteers led in many instances by local Parks Friends Groups, more than 800 bags of waste were removed from numerous landmarks and parks across the state, almost 820 trees were planted, approximately 26 miles of shorelines were cleaned and maintained, and more than 200 gardens were created and enhanced; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body establishes that it is critically important to share in the task of improving our natural resources and open spaces, and to ensure that our state and community parks are well cared for and our historic sites preserved to stand for many generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Commemorating New York's eighth annual "I Love My Park Day" demonstrates the meaningful impact people can have through volunteerism while reconnecting with the natural environment and sites of cultural and historic significance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim Saturday, May 4, 2019, as I Love My Park Day 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.