BY: Senator RIVERA

MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim October 14, 2021, as Children's Environmental Health Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to increase public awareness of, and appreciation for, the natural resources of this great Empire State, as well as to recognize the role all citizens have in protecting the environment and quality of life within New York; 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 14, 2021, as Children's Environmental Health Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Children's Environmental Health Day; and

WHEREAS, The aim of Children's Environmental Health (CEH) Day is to raise awareness about the importance of clean air and water, safe food and consumer products, and healthy environments to children's health and development; and

WHEREAS, CEH Day was created by the Children's Environmental Health Network in 2016, and was officially celebrated for the first time by the New York State Children's Environmental Health Centers and Region 2 PEHSU on October 11, 2018; and

WHEREAS, CEH Day is observed on the second Thursday in October as a means to celebrate the progress of the children's environmental health movement and to create a strong network of child health advocates; and

WHEREAS, CEH Day is a national effort supported by individuals, non-profit organizations, and government agencies; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, this vital commemoration encourages individuals and organizations to raise awareness and understanding of children's environmental health issues, seek improved protections for all children, and to perform acts of sustainability or environmental health wellness; and

WHEREAS, Together, we can safeguard the health, safety and wellbeing of our most precious resource, our children; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew Cuomo to proclaim October 14, 2021, as Children's Environmental Health 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.