

Assembly Resolution No. 1143

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COMMENDING the IBS Patient Support Group upon the occasion of observing its 7th Annual World IBS Day on April 19, 2026

WHEREAS, Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) is a gastrointestinal disorder of gut-brain interaction that is characterized by recurring abdominal pain, bloating, and altered bowel movement; although many Americans suffer from individual symptoms, they do not realize it is a medical condition called IBS, and for this reason, it often goes undiagnosed by physicians and patients; and

WHEREAS, The symptoms of IBS affect up to 20 percent of the population, or just over 35 million Americans; the quality of life is significantly lower in people suffering from the symptoms of IBS than in healthy people; and

WHEREAS, Although IBS has a considerable impact on personal relationships and working practices, people with these symptoms often suffer in silence because of their reluctance to discuss their pain; and

WHEREAS, Numerous organizations in New York State, including the IBS Patient Support Group, are committed to supporting people suffering with the symptoms of IBS, inclusive of raising public awareness, discovering innovative therapies, and providing patient educational materials; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the IBS Patient Support Group upon the occasion of observing its 7th Annual World IBS Day on April 19, 2026, and to encourage all residents of the State of New York to support and participate in organizations, events, and activities that raise awareness about IBS; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the IBS Patient Support Group.