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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim October 7, 2013, as Child Health Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, The youth of today are our society's most precious resource; it is appropriate that a day should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts towards the health and well-being of our children; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim Monday, October 7, 2013, as Child Health Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the national observance of Child Health Day; and

WHEREAS, Observed annually on the first Monday in October, Child Health Day, provides an opportunity, on the national level, for all agencies and organizations interested in child welfare to unite and create activities and programs to increase people's awareness of the need for year-round attention to protect and develop children's health in the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, Since 1928, Presidents of the United States have issued proclamations in observance of Child Health Day, encouraging health professionals and health organizations across the Nation to provide educational resources for parents, children and schools about issues impacting the health and well-being of children and youth; and

WHEREAS, The health challenges and concerns affecting today's youth include healthy choices, fitness, and child obesity prevention, as well as such infant and maternal health concerns as smoking cessation, safe sleeping, and prenatal care; and

WHEREAS, In addition, a safe, clean environment in which children can live and grow is essential to their well-being, including clean drinking water and clean air; and

WHEREAS, The great State of New York is committed to the positive growth and development of all children residing in our communities; Child Health Day presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to reaffirm this commitment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim Monday, October 7, 2013, as Child Health Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the national observance of Child Health Day; 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.