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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION recognizing the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group for many years of support and advocacy on behalf of Bangladesh Americans in New York State

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body, in keeping with its time-honored traditions, to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations which foster ethnic pride and enhance the profile of cultural diversity which strengthens the fabric of the communities of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group for many years of support and advocacy on behalf of Bangladesh Americans in New York State; and WHEREAS, The Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group is a not-for-profit organization which seeks to give a voice to the Bangladeshi Americans living throughout the state of New York; the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group's primary mission is to bring social and political equality in order to improve the quality of life of Bangladeshi Americans; and WHEREAS, Founded in 2011 by several Bangladeshi Immigrants, the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group strives to give Bangladeshi Americans a voice, and to encourage them to demand equal political rights, as well as raise their quality of life; and

WHEREAS, The Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group hopes to achieve these goals by sharing the Bangladeshi American community's political and social concerns to various federal, state, and local elected officials; and

WHEREAS, The Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group speaks up for the rights of all Bangladeshi Americans and seeks to bring positive changes to the Bangladeshi American community; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group, Inc., is an umbrella organization which creates, supports, and sponsors initiatives and programs to help Bangladeshis living in the state of New York; and

WHEREAS, A civic engagement organization, the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group engages in multicultural events, seminars, programs and city services that will assist monolingual and bilingual people of Bangladeshi origin; this organization is committed to working with government agencies, community based organizations, and elected officials to better the lives of the Bangladeshi American community; and WHEREAS, The Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group identifies and addresses issues of importance to the Bangladeshi American community and similarly situated South Asian Groups through collaboration with governmental agencies and elected officials; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations which contribute to the improvement and enhancement of the quality of life in the communities they represent; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proudly moved to honor and commend the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group, which has labored so conscientiously to secure and improve the quality of life for the residents and community it serves, noting the significance of its unremitting efforts to build a commonality of interest and pride of cooperative achievement, inherent in the values of community and family life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group for many years of support

and advocacy on behalf of Bangladesh Americans in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Bangladeshi American Advocacy Group.