

## 2013-K1156

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 12-16, 2014, as Small Business Week in the State of New York

WHEREAS, In New York, the dedication and entrepreneurial spirit of small businesses, minority- and women-owned businesses, and entrepreneurs are vital to the prosperity and vibrancy of every community across this great State and nation; and

WHEREAS, According to the United States Department of Commerce, over 400,000 enterprises qualify as a small business in New York State, comprising 97 percent of the State's established firms; and

WHEREAS, The contributions made by small business owners are not often recognized, even though they often risk their financial security to create jobs, pay taxes, and produce goods and services for the people of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Small business owners possess the dedication and entrepreneurial spirit to develop and market new technologies, thereby bringing more capital into the business market and further strengthening New York's economy; and

WHEREAS, The innovation, diversity, competitive strength, job creation, and quality of life that small businesses bring to our economy are vital elements of our State's long-term economic health; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses in New York State exert a strong positive influence on the political, economic, and social development of the State, and the future welfare of the State depends on the continued development of small businesses; and

WHEREAS, The members of this Legislative Body wish to proclaim their recognition of small businesses as a crucial element in the economy of New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 12-16, 2014, as Small Business Week 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.