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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15 - June 15, 2014, as Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, Lack of public awareness has increased the social stigma attached to Tourette Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, Early diagnosis and treatment of Tourette Syndrome can prevent physical and psychological harm; and

WHEREAS, There is no known cure for Tourette Syndrome and treatment involves multiple medications and therapies with costs that can be prohibitive; and

WHEREAS, The Tourette Syndrome Association is the only national notfor-profit membership organization dedicated to identifying the cause, finding the cure, and controlling the effects of Tourette Syndrome; and WHEREAS, The Tourette Syndrome Association has designated May 15th through June 15th as National Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month, the goal being to educate the public about the nature and effects of Tourette Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes the impact that Tourette Syndrome can have on people living with the disorder; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes the importance of an early diagnosis and proper treatment of Tourette Syndrome; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body recognizes the need for enhanced public awareness of Tourette Syndrome; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body supports the goals and ideals of Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month, as designated by the Tourette Syndrome Association; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15 - June 15, 2014,

as Tourette Syndrome Awareness Month 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.