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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Governor Andrew M. Cuomo upon the occasion of his upcoming visit to Cuba

WHEREAS, The State of New York is greatly enriched by its cultural diversity and proudly shares a multitude of values, as well as spiritual and families ties, with the people of the Republic of Cuba; and

WHEREAS, It is the privilege of this Legislative Body to commend Governor Andrew M. Cuomo upon the occasion of his upcoming visit to Cuba, on Monday, April 20, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo will be traveling to Cuba with the Chief of Cuban Interest Section from Washington, D.C., Jose Ramon Cabanas, state officials, and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, This historic trip will be a part of the Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's Global New York initiative to create new business opportunities within six countries; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body envisions that Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's trip will open up state relations with Cuba, and give New York State the opportunity to be the first to normalize diplomatic relations; and

WHEREAS, The intention of this monumental venture is to facilitate travel and trade with the Republic of Cuba, creating numerous opportunities for both New York State businesses and farmers to establish and take advantage of open exchange with Cuba; and

WHEREAS, The people of this Empire State hope that Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's travels will culminate with the creation of jobs and stimulate economic development; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body encourages Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and his delegation to seek friendship with the Cuban people, foster tourism and family connections, and develop long-term relationships that are

successful, productive, and beneficial for the people of New York; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to
commend Governor Andrew M. Cuomo upon the occasion of his upcoming visit
to Cuba; and extend to him best wishes for a safe and fruitful journey;

and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be
transmitted to The Honorable Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Jose Ramon Caba-
nas, and to the delegation members.