

## 2015-K432

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION Memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 2-9, 2015, as Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI) Awareness Week in New York State

WHEREAS, Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI) is a genetic disorder characterized by fragile bones that break easily; it is also known as "brittle bone disease"; a person born with this disorder is affected throughout his or her lifetime; and

WHEREAS, There are different types of OI with a range of severity from mild to life threatening; and

WHEREAS, Because there is no cure for OI, treatment focuses on minimizing fractures, the surgical correction of deformity, reducing bone fragility, and maximizing mobility and independent function; and

WHEREAS, Increased funding for education and research are needed to help find more effective treatments; and

WHEREAS, The Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation is declaring May 2-9, 2015, as National OI Awareness Week; board members, staff, medical professionals, and volunteers are joining together to focus attention on OI in an effort to increase awareness; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 2-9, 2015, as Osteogenesis Imperfecta Awareness Week in New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York; Angelo and Kim Collazo; The Alle Shea Project; and The Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation (OIF).