

## 2015-J4907

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15-17, 2016, as the 81st Annual 4-H Capital Days in the State of New York

WHEREAS, In the course of the evolving development of this Empire State, if the ingredients of shared concern and responsive endeavor combine in the symmetry of a commitment to governance, there have emerged among the facilities of the State of New York certain dates which warrant commemoration; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15-17, 2016, as the 81st Annual 4-H Capital Days in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, The event, which is coordinated by the New York State Association of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Educators, will involve approximately 100 participants representing every county in New York State; and

WHEREAS, The objectives of 4-H Capital Days are: to achieve a better understanding of the public policy process from a state government perspective; to gain a better understanding of state-local government relations; to provide an opportunity for delegates to meet and interact with their legislators; to create an awareness of career opportunities in New York State government; and to meet and exchange experiences with delegates from other counties; and

WHEREAS, The rich history of 4-H Capital Days is recorded in the Cooperative Extension's Archives with photographs of 4-H members with past Governors; in the 1940s, a meal at the Governor's Mansion was part of this event and a treasured memory for all those who attended; and

WHEREAS, The 4-H Capital Days Program is specifically designed to

allow for greater participation in the machinery of governance; this program focuses upon the legislative process with an explanation of procedures and methods; and

WHEREAS, Through their sustained interest in the method and process of governance, the 2016 participants in the 81st Annual 4-H Capital Days program will so advance that spirit of united purpose and shared concern which is the unalterable manifestation of our American experience; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15-17, 2016, as the 81st Annual 4-H Capital Days in the State of New York, fully confident that this program is so clearly in accord with our shared commitment to preserve and to enhance the legacy which is our American heritage; 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.