LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May as High Blood Pressure Education Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official weeks that are set aside to increase awareness of serious health issues that affect the lives of citizens of New York State; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May as High Blood Pressure Education Month in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National High Blood Pressure Education Month; and WHEREAS, National High Blood Pressure Education Month marks the kickoff of high blood pressure prevention and control activities for the year; and

WHEREAS, The National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) launched its first Month campaign in May of 1974; approximately 100 national organizations cooperated in the campaign and more than 200 organizations coordinated activities in their communities during the month; and WHEREAS, NHLBI invites community groups, civic and faith-based organizations, hospital outreach programs, public health departments, and workplaces to renew activities to prevent and control high blood pressure; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater awareness of this serious health condition, and more must be done to increase activity at the local, State and national levels; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May as High Blood Pressure Education 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.