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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 10, 2016, as Lipid Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official days that are set aside to increase awareness of serious illnesses that affect the lives of citizens of New York State; 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 10, 2016, as Lipid Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Lipid Day; and

WHEREAS, Each year, May 10th is designated as National Lipid Day to bring awareness to dyslipidemia which is an abnormal amount of lipids (cholesterol, triglycerides, or both) carried by lipoproteins in the blood; and

WHEREAS, In developed countries, most dyslipidemias are hyperlipidemias which is an elevation of lipids in the blood often due to diet and lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, Dyslipidemia can also be caused by a prolonged elevation of insulin levels, or increased levels of O-GlcNAc transferase (OGT); and

WHEREAS, Worldwide, dyslipidemia is the major cause of cardiovascular disease; and

WHEREAS, Preventive measures for dyslipidemia include health education, emphasis on the role of physical activity, diet, and timely visits to a doctor; and

WHEREAS, Increasing community awareness and focusing public attention on dyslipidemia and its devastating impact on patients' lives will provide hope for a better future for those affected; and

WHEREAS, Lipid Day in the State of New York is dedicated to improving

the quality of life for individuals with dyslipidemia and their loved ones by providing education and promoting programs of awareness, advocacy, and research; 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 to support the patients as well as their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 10, 2016, as Lipid Day 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.