Senate Resolution No. 1304

BY: Senator MARCHIONE

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 21-27, 2017, as Public Works Week in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official weeks that are set aside to appreciate the knowledge and skills public works professionals bring for the betterment of the lives of citizens of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 21-27, 2017, as Public Works Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Public Works Week; and

WHEREAS, Every year National Public Works Week gets bigger and better; the number of participating municipalities continues to grow, which means the number of citizens who are exposed to the value of public works grows; and

WHEREAS, One of the main goals at the American Public Works Association (APWA) is to educate the general public about the value and necessities of public works projects throughout North America; and WHEREAS, Since 1960, the APWA has sponsored National Public Works Week; today, more than 29,000 members in the United States and Canada use this week to energize and educate the public on the importance of public works to their daily lives: planning, building, managing and operating at the heart of their local communities to improve everyday quality of life; and

WHEREAS, The 2017 National Public Works Week Poster Theme is "Public Works Connects Us"; this year, National Public Works Week celebrates the vital role public works plays in connecting us all together; and

WHEREAS, As the cornerstone of civilization, public works provides, maintains, and improves the structures and services which assure a higher quality of life for our communities; its streets, roads, bridges, and public transportation keep us linked together from coast to coast, and its clean water and sanitation services keep us healthy and allow our communities to grow and prosper; and

WHEREAS, The APWA, New York State, and the entire Nation salutes and thanks the tens of thousands of public work professionals who diligently work every day to strengthen the bond which keeps us all connected; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize these exceptional public works professionals for their outstanding contribution in adding to the quality of life in our State and Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 21-27, 2017, as Public Works Week in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to the American Public Works Association.