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Senate Resolution No. 1950

BY: Senator PARKER

MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 6-13, 2017, as Osteogenesis Imperfecta Awareness Week in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official weeks set aside to increase awareness of serious issues which affect 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 6-13, 2017, as Osteogenesis Imperfecta Awareness Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Osteogenesis Imperfecta Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, Osteogenesis Imperfecta (OI), also known as "brittle bone disease," is a genetic disorder characterized by fragile bones that break easily and affects a person from birth through his or her entire lifetime; and

WHEREAS, As there is no cure for OI, increased funding for education and research are necessary to help find more effective treatments and increased public awareness is critical to support those afflicted with this disorder and their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 6-13, 2017, as Osteogenesis Imperfecta Awareness Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Osteogenesis Imperfecta Awareness Week, and to commit to supporting the Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation's efforts to raise awareness of this rare and serious disorder; 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.