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MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 2018, as Cesarean Awareness Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official months that are set aside to increase awareness of health issues 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, this Legislative Body hereby memorializes Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 2018, as Cesarean Awareness Month in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Women who undergo cesarean surgery may have a long recovery time, and are subject to increased complications such as increased rates of unexplained stillbirth, placental abnormalities, and uterine rupture; and

WHEREAS, While a cesarean can be lifesaving for a mother and her baby in certain circumstances, maternal and child health are improved by preventing unnecessary cesareans; and

WHEREAS, Women from the State of New York should have access to full and complete information on the risks and benefits of vaginal birth and

cesarean section in order to make informed choices about their health care; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater awareness of this health issue, 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 April 2018, as Cesarean Awareness 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.