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Senate Resolution No. 4944

BY: Senator PARKER

MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim
May 6-12, 2018, as Hurricane Preparedness Week in
the State of New York

WHEREAS, Hurricane season officially begins on June 1st and ends on
November 30th; and

WHEREAS, The 127 miles of New York coastline along the Atlantic
Ocean are most vulnerable during the months of August, September,
October, and November; and

WHEREAS, The devastating impact of hurricanes have taken a
financial, physical and emotional toll on the citizenry of New York
State in recent years; and

WHEREAS, On August 21, 2011, Hurricane Irene tragically made
landfall in the State of New York, causing over \$296 million in damages
and 10 fatalities; and

WHEREAS, On October 27, 2012, one of the darkest times in our
State's history, Hurricane Sandy made landfall in the State of New York,
causing over \$18 billion in damages and 53 fatalities; and

WHEREAS, Both public and private entities have worked to develop

emergency response and recovery plans in accordance with local jurisdictions and local emergency management offices to protect our State's communities and constituency; and

WHEREAS, The best defense is preparedness and public education about the dangers of high winds, storm surge, and flooding that may occur in conjunction with a hurricane; and

WHEREAS, The National Weather Service has designated the week of May 6, 2018, as National Hurricane Preparedness Week; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 6-12, 2018, as Hurricane Preparedness Week 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.