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Senate Resolution No. 5239

BY: Senator PARKER

MEMORIALIZING Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May of 2018, as Teen Pregnancy Prevention 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 serious 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 May of 2018, as Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month; and

WHEREAS, Each May, the nation turns its attention to teen pregnancy prevention for a full month; and

WHEREAS, National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month (NTPPM) highlights the historic declines in the rates of teen births in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Significant declines have occurred in all 50 states and among all racial/ethnic groups, yet disparities continue; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater awareness of this serious 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 May of 2018, as Teen Pregnancy Prevention 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.