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Assembly Resolution No. 248

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim March 23-29, 2025, as Cleaning Week in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of cleaning organizations and front-line cleaning professionals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Service to community and country is the foundation of our society, and the contributions and future efforts of those in service to them are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of our communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim March 23-29, 2025, as Cleaning Week in the State of New York, in conjunction with National Cleaning Week; and

WHEREAS, Held on the fourth Sunday in March, Cleaning Week celebrates the importance, value, and positive impact that cleaning has on public health, the environment, and the economy; this week also calls to raise public awareness for the value of clean spaces, appreciate

front-line professionals, promote cleaning organizations, and advocate for the cleaning industry; and

WHEREAS, Maintaining a clean environment helps to lower the spread of viruses, bacteria, and other pathogens that cause diseases and trigger allergic reactions; furthermore, a clean space has been found to be closely associated with improved moods, decreased stress levels, and enhanced productivity; and

WHEREAS, The International Sanitary Supply Association (ISSA), the worldwide cleaning industry association, uses National Cleaning Week to promote the importance of cleanliness, provide education and training, raise the profile of the cleaning industry, feature ways to engage and explore educational opportunities, support charitable causes for the benefit of the industry, and more; and

WHEREAS, To welcome a fresh start with spring, Cleaning Week encourages people to discard winter essentials, declutter, and tidy up our homes; the week also aims to celebrate the heroes who toil hard to give us clean homes and offices so people can live and work in clean environments; and

WHEREAS, In light of their commitment, dedication, and successful efforts, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to extend its highest commendation to the many citizens that work tirelessly to preserve cleanliness and promote public health in the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim March 23-29, 2025, as Cleaning 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 Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York.