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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor David A. Paterson to proclaim February 24, 2010, as Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association Day in New York State in recognition of its 100th Anniversary

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those organizations that are committed to efficient, ethical and honest management, sale and service practices for the benefit of the automobile industry and the consumer; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor David A. Paterson to proclaim February 24, 2010, as Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association Day in New York State in recognition of its 100th Anniversary; and

WHEREAS, Incorporated on February 24, 1910, to foster the growth of the automobile industry in the greater New York region, the mission of the Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association has evolved to encourage efficient, ethical and honest practices through education, communication and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, The Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association has developed and implemented educational programs for all New Yorkers such as AutoCAP, the Automobile Consumer Action Program, which offers educational programs to consumers and provides successful consumer complaint resolution and mediation services at no cost; and

WHEREAS, Its Center for Automotive Education and Training in White-stone, Queens, provides training opportunities to ensure a highly-skilled workforce now and for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, The annual National Automotive Technology Competition sponsored by the Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association motivates and encourages excellence among high school students by awarding millions of dollars in prizes to top automotive technology students; and

WHEREAS, The Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association has demonstrated a commitment to the community through its various charitable efforts including scholarship programs for students, the unemployed and displaced workers to train or retrain for jobs; and

WHEREAS, Consistent efforts to work with elected officials in adopting policies which benefit consumers of New York such as the first-in-the-nation Used Car Lemon Law and Motor Vehicle Retail Leasing Act, and important safety measures such as seat belt and airbag laws have greatly benefitted the health and welfare of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, In April 2010, the Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association will be sponsoring the oldest and largest automobile show in North America, the 110th New York International Automobile Show, bringing international recognition and business to New York; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is very pleased to have this opportunity to salute the Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association for its long history of demonstrated commitment to the improvement of the auto industry and the community, and to wish this worthy organization continued success in future years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor David A. Paterson to proclaim February 24, 2010, as Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association Day in the State of New York, and to recognize the importance of the services it provides to New York's citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable David A. Paterson, and to the Greater New York Automobile Dealers Association.