

## 2015-K366

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 18-25, 2015, as Community Banks Week in the State of New York

WHEREAS, New York's community banks constitute an important part of the financial services industry and are vital to the prosperity and vibrancy of their communities; and

WHEREAS, Community banks participate in the economic, civic, and cultural life of the communities which they serve; and

WHEREAS, Community banks are focused on small business lending and providing access to credit to small businesses; and

WHEREAS, Community banks generate a substantial number of small business loans in their communities with both conventional and Small Business Administration loans; and

WHEREAS, Small businesses are a crucial element in the growth and success of the economy in New York State, and community banks are important contributors to the success of small businesses; and

WHEREAS, Although community banks have decreased in number they remain dedicated to serving the needs of their communities, not only with financial services but, most importantly, through participation in, and support of, community-based activities; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that community banks are a critical element to the economy of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 18-25, 2015, as Community Banks Week in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitable engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New

York.