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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 24-30, 2016, as Medical Laboratory Professionals Week in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who give outstanding service to the people of this Empire State and whose extraordinary achievements save lives and keep people healthy profoundly strengthen our shared commitment to family and community life; and

WHEREAS, In conjunction with the observance of National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week, this Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 24-30, 2016, as Medical Laboratory Professionals Week in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Medical Laboratory Professionals Week is an annual celebration of the laboratory professionals and pathologists who play a vital role in every aspect of health care; and

WHEREAS, Lab Week is a time to honor the more than 300,000 medical laboratory professionals around the country who perform and interpret more than 10 billion laboratory tests in the United States every year; and

WHEREAS, As of one of the largest industries in the United States, the dedicated efforts of laboratory professionals often go unnoticed by the general public, as well as by the very institutions employing their services; and

WHEREAS, With the public now demanding the assurance of quality health care and professional accountability, the essential role of the medical laboratory professional has increased significantly; and

WHEREAS, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals and it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of medical laboratory professionals by design-

nating a special week in their honor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 24-30, 2016, as Medical Laboratory Professionals Week in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, and Tess Smith, President of the New York Chapter of the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science.