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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15-21, 2016, as Emergency Medical Services Week in New York State

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, so profoundly strengthen our shared commitment to family and community life; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim May 15-21, 2016, as Emergency Medical Services Week in New York State, in conjunction with the observance of National EMS Week; the theme of this year's celebration is "EMS Strong: Called to Care"; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this Legislative Body is proud to commend the Catskill Regional Medical Center upon the occasion of hosting its 3rd Annual County-wide celebration Awards Dinner on Friday, May 13, 2016, at The Sullivan in Rock Hill, New York, recognizing all levels of emergency responders in Sullivan County; and

WHEREAS, National Emergency Medical Services Week brings together local communities and medical personnel to publicize safety and honor and dedication of those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's "front line"; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Medical Services are an important part of the continuum of healthcare; and

WHEREAS, The Emergency Medical Services system provides valuable service to the community and is the vital link between the patient and other healthcare providers; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 2.8 million calls are handled by Emergency Medical Services providers each year in New York State; and

WHEREAS, More than 50,000 dedicated Emergency Medical Services providers, whether volunteer or career, respond 24 hours a day to calls for emergency care throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of Emergency Medical Services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; and

WHEREAS, Injury prevention and the appropriate use of the Emergency Medical Services system will help reduce national healthcare costs; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when organizations and individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens 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 May 15-21, 2016, as Emergency Medical Services Week in New York State, in conjunction with the observance of National EMS Week; 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 the Catskill Regional Medical Center.