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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim Saturday, May 7, 2016, as Birth Mother's Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, Birth Mother's Day is the one day out of the year set aside to praise and pay tribute to biological birth mothers of adopted children; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim Saturday, May 7, 2016, as Birth Mother's Day in the State of New York, in honor and recognition of biological mothers of adopted children; and

WHEREAS, In 1990, a group of birth mothers from Seattle, Washington, created Birth Mother's Day on the Saturday before Mother's Day; the women gathered together to acknowledge each other and support one another, as well as reflect on their choices and cope with feelings of remorse and guilt; and

WHEREAS, Birth Mother's Day is also a day to educate about the issues surrounding adoption, which is the assumption of parenting of another person, usually a child; this process transfers all rights and responsibilities along with filiations from the biological parents to the parents by adoption; and

WHEREAS, Birth Mother's Day is a day to show compassion and understanding to all birth mothers, not only in the State of New York, but throughout the Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is proud to pay tribute and commend these women who are worthy of full recognition for their valued contributions, and who should be celebrated by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

commemorate the celebration of Birth Mother's Day, Saturday, May 7, 2016, in honor and recognition of biological mothers of adopted children throughout the State of New York; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York.