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Assembly Resolution No. 358

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COMMEMORATING the 100th Anniversary of the American Council of Engineering Companies of New York

WHEREAS, It is the prerogative of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend worthy organizations whose mission encourages the overall growth and prosperity of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the American Council of Engineering Companies of New York, to be celebrated at its Annual Meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) of New York is a proactive coalition of nearly 300 firms representing every discipline of engineering related to the built environment--civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, environmental, geotechnical--and affiliated companies; and

WHEREAS, ACEC New York member firms employ over 30,000 people throughout New York State, and these firms promote diversity and inclusion within their organizations; and

WHEREAS, ACEC New York is the voice of the engineering industry in New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1921, the Metropolitan-based New York Association of Consulting Engineers was formed in New York City; and

WHEREAS, In 1957, the Consulting Engineers Council of New York State, Inc. (CEC/NYS) formed with seven regional chapters throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, In 2000, the Metropolitan-based NYACE and the CEC/NYS merged to form a new statewide association, The American Council of Engineering Companies of New York (ACEC New York), the second-largest member organization in the National ACEC organization; and

WHEREAS, ACEC New York member firms are critical to life throughout New York State, designing transportation, water/wastewater, energy, and other systems and structures that account for more than \$1 trillion of investment worldwide; and

WHEREAS, ACEC New York is a highly focused group that advocates for sustainable growth and investments that benefit New York State and the Nation as a whole; and

WHEREAS, ACEC New York provides unique and crucial business services, education and networking to the engineering industry statewide; and

WHEREAS, The organization's yearly Engineering Excellence Awards recognize exceptional projects designed by top professionals that benefit communities worldwide and promote the consulting engineering profession to the public; and

WHEREAS, The ACEC New York Scholarship Fund, which sponsors the Awards, has given over \$900,000 to benefit hundreds of New York State engineering students, ensuring a strong future for engineering; and

WHEREAS, ACEC New York is proud to represent these exceptional firms and professionals who make life as we know it possible; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals and organizations 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 commemorate this milestone in the history of the American Council of Engineering Companies of New York and to honor the importance of engineering to the wellbeing of New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the American Council of Engineering Companies of New York.