

## 2021-K976

Assembly Resolution No. 976

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim  
September 2022, as Polycystic Ovary Syndrome  
Awareness Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize  
official months that are set aside to increase awareness of serious  
conditions that affect the lives of citizens 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  
memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim September 2022, as  
Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Awareness Month in the State of New York, in  
conjunction with the observance of National Polycystic Awareness Month;  
and

WHEREAS, Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a hormonal disorder  
common among women of reproductive age; according to WomensHealth.gov,  
10% of women of childbearing age suffer from PCOS; and

WHEREAS, PCOS is one of the most underdiagnosed diseases in the  
world, with less than 25% of women with the condition being diagnosed;  
and

WHEREAS, Women with PCOS may have infrequent or prolonged menstrual  
periods or excess male hormone (androgen) levels, and the ovaries may

develop numerous small collections of fluid (follicles) and fail to regularly release eggs; and

WHEREAS, The exact cause of PCOS is unknown, however factors that might play a role include: excess insulin, low-grade inflammation, heredity, and excess androgen; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that there be greater awareness of this serious health condition, and more must be done to increase activity at local, State and National levels; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim September 2022, as Polycystic Ovary Syndrome Awareness Month, and to urge the citizens of this great Empire State to learn about the causes, symptoms, diagnoses and treatments for this condition; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York.