

## 2013-J690

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim April 22-26, 2013, 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 22-26, 2013, as Medical Laboratory Professionals Week in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, A key member of a health care team, there are more than 300,000 practitioners of clinical laboratory science in the United States; since the development of this career group in the 1920s, they have played an increasingly vital role in the diagnosis and prevention of disease; and

WHEREAS, As team members 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 designating 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 22-26, 2013, 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 to Gail Konecsni, President of the New York Chapter of the American Society for Clinical Laboratory Science.