



New York State Assembly Citation

Whereas, *Cross Cultural Internship Program, is justly deserving of special recognition as an outstanding example of a support organization of New York State, as they are celebrating the great work that they do with the Program's Culminating Ceremony; and*

Whereas, *the Cross Cultural Internship Program began as a dream in 2003 after Elizabeth Kay had met two international students during the Northeast Blackout; Ms. Kay wished there was more support to these students, who were forced to sleep at the office where they interned; and*

Whereas, *The Cross Cultural Internship Program is proudly celebrating their Sixth Year; Their program has grown considerably since its start and since then has served over 800 students; and*

Whereas, *the Cross Cultural Internship Program allows students to gain experience in a variety of professional settings; Over the years the host organizations have included, law firms, legislators' offices, various Communications and Health Services Companies; and*

Whereas, *the Students of the Cross Cultural Internship Program reside at the Flushing YMCA during their internships; This gives the Students a unique experience and allows them a one of a kind experience of not only living in New York City, but living in a culturally diverse neighborhood; and*

Whereas, *acknowledging that this State is only as great as those groups whose tireless efforts foster tolerance for people of all races and cultures; and who demonstrate good will to our fellow citizens; and*

Whereas, *such exceptional organizations are the lifeblood of our community, our Great State of New York and our whole United States of America; and therefore let it be*

Resolved *that as a duly elected Member of the State Assembly of New York, I recognize that in the*

Cross Cultural Internship Program

we have an outstanding organization, one which is worthy of the esteem of the country, the community and the great State of New York.

Date: July 8, 2014

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
My Hand and Signature

DAVID I. WEPRIN
Member of Assembly