

The Assembly of the State of New York

PROCLAMATION

Whereas, a Great State is only as great as those organizations that give exemplary service to their community, whether through participation in voluntary programs, through unique personal achievement in their professional or other endeavors or simply through a lifetime of good citizenry; and

Whereas, we are honored to mark the outstanding achievement of New York Sea Grant, celebrating their 40th anniversary, “Bringing Science to the Shore;” and

Whereas, New York Sea Grant is a statewide network of integrated research, education, and extension services promoting the coastal economic vitality, environmental sustainability and citizen awareness about the State’s marine and Great Lakes resources; and

Whereas, New York Sea Grant, one of 32 university-based programs under the National Sea Grant College Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), is a cooperative program of the State University of New York and Cornell University, and

Whereas, the National Sea Grant College Program engages this network of the nation’s top universities in conducting scientific research, education, training, and extension projects designed to foster science-based decisions about the use and conservation of our aquatic resources; and

Whereas, since its beginning in 1971, New York Sea Grant’s funded research and education have helped the state’s coastal communities make decisions to keep our coastal ecosystems and coastal economies healthy. Specifically in New York’s marine district, Sea Grant’s peer-reviewed research has helped to explain the causes and mitigation of harmful algal blooms, addressed issues of shellfish populations in Great South Bay, oxygen levels in Long Island Sound, and storm surge forecasting along New York shorelines. Whether providing information to recreational anglers or emergency planners, seafood businesses or municipalities, agencies or educators, New York Sea Grant has been “Bringing Science to the Shore” for forty years; now therefore be it

Proclaimed, that as duly elected Members of the State Assembly of New York, we hereby recognize

New York Sea Grant

On the occasion of its 40th anniversary as an organization that is worthy of the esteem of both the community and the Great State of New York

Dated: September 9, 2011

Signed by: Robert K. Sweeney, 11th Assembly District; James D. Conte, 10th Assembly District; Andrew P. Raia, 9th Assembly District; Philip M. Boyle, 8th Assembly District; Michael J. Fitzpatrick, 7th Assembly District; Philip R. Ramos, 6th Assembly District; Alfred C. Graf, 5th Assembly District; Steven Englebright, 4th Assembly District; Dean L. Murray, 3rd Assembly District; Fred W. Thiele, 2nd Assembly District; Daniel P. Losquadro, 1st Assembly District