

**RESOLUTION NO. 360-2018, DESIGNATING APRIL 19th AS
“CONGENITAL DIAPHRAGMATIC HERNIA AWARENESS
DAY” IN SUFFOLK COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (“CDH”) occurs when a person’s diaphragm muscle – the muscle that separates the chest from the abdomen – fails to close during prenatal development, and the contents from the abdomen (stomach, intestines and/or liver) migrate into the chest through this hole; and

WHEREAS, over 1,600 babies are born with CDH every year in the United States alone, however, only 50 percent of those babies will survive; and

WHEREAS, those born with CDH often endure multiple surgeries and possible medical complications beyond their diagnosis, which include heart defects, pulmonary complications, gastric and intestinal problems, development delays and may require respiratory and medicinal support for years; and

WHEREAS, Suffolk County wishes to designate April 19th as “**Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness Day**” in order to raise awareness of this congenital defect, provide support for those suffering with CDH and help advocate for medical research and advances; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that beginning in 2019 and continuing each year thereafter April 19th shall be designated as “**Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness Day**” in Suffolk County to raise awareness of this congenital defect and help advocate for medical research and advances; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: May 15, 2018

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: May 21, 2018