

**RESOLUTION NO. 958 -2014, DECLARING AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> AS  
“LUNG CANCER AWARENESS DAY” IN SUFFOLK COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, lung cancer is often referred to as the “Invisible Disease”, as it is generally asymptomatic and often goes undetected or misdiagnosed while advancing to its late incurable stage; only 15% of patients diagnosed in the late stages will survive five years; and

**WHEREAS**, although early detection screening has been a topic of great concern and study, the established guidelines continue to leave a large segment of our population ineligible for screening; and

**WHEREAS**, lung cancer is widely portrayed and publicized as a “smokers disease”, yet over 60% of newly diagnosed patients never smoked or quit years before; and

**WHEREAS**, lung cancer claims more lives than breast, colon, kidney and melanoma cancers combined; and

**WHEREAS**, lung cancer receives less research funding than any other type of cancer; and

**WHEREAS**, August 1<sup>st</sup> has been designated as “World Lung Cancer Day”; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Suffolk wishes to support the many people affected by lung cancer and raise awareness of this deadly disease; now, therefore be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that beginning in 2015 and continuing every year thereafter August 1<sup>st</sup> shall be designated as “**Lung Cancer Awareness Day**” in Suffolk County to serve as an annual day of observance for all those affected by and lost to lung cancer worldwide; 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: November 18, 2014

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone  
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 1, 2014