A RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED BY LEGISLATORS CHIMERA, GILMOUR, JOHNSON, KOOSHOIAN, BARGNESI, VINAL, GREENE, TODARO, GILMOUR, LORIGO & MILLS

Re: Support for the Donor-Conceived Person Protection Act

WHEREAS, it is difficult to understate the importance of parents and donor-conceived person knowing the medical history of individuals who have donated reproductive tissue to a tissue bank for the purposes of an artificial insemination or assisted reproductive technology procedure and disseminating that information to a recipient or donor-conceived person upon request; and

WHEREAS, medical history of a donor provides recipients with important information necessary to make an informed decision during the process for artificial insemination or assisted reproductive technology procedure; and

WHEREAS, the Donor-Conceived Person Protection Act is intended to ensure that reproductive tissue banks, licensed by the New York State Department of Health, collect and verify medical information from any donor it procures reproductive tissues from and disseminates such information to a recipient before they purchase or otherwise receive any such tissue; and

WHEREAS, the Donor-Conceived Person Protection Act also requires that the information collected about the donor be shared wit the donor-conceived person, when such person turns eighteen years of age or earlier upon consent of the recipient's parent or guardian; and

WHEREAS, a requirement that medical information be collected by reproductive tissue banks is necessary to ensure that recipients of these tissues can be provided the appropriate information so as to make their own educated decision.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that this honorable body hereby goes on record expressing its support for the Donor-Conceived Person Protection Act, S7602-A (2022) and A09655 (2022), and encourages donor-tissue banks to collect and verify donor reported medical and health background information; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Western New York State Legislature Delegation, the Governor of New York, New York Assembly Member Amy Paulin, and any other party deemed necessary and proper.