

THE SENATE STATE OF NEW YORK

August 11, 2023



SENATOR TOBY ANN STAVISKY

Proclamation SET TOBY AS

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE FIFTHTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CROSS CULTURAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, it is with great pride that we acknowledge significant milestones in the history of important organizations in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Cross Cultural Internship Program (CCIP) will celebrate its Fifteenth Anniversary at its Recognition Ceremony Celebration on August 11th, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the CCIP is an Exchange Visitor Internship Program run by FUSIA Communications, a U.S. State Department-designated visa sponsor in the J-1 Intern category; and

WHEREAS, this program has had a positive impact on the local communities which it serves through its dedication to fostering cross-cultural exchange and understanding between young people of the Asian Pacific region and their American counterparts while seeking to nurture and facilitate the growth of the next generation of global leaders; and WHEREAS, since 2008, over 1,500 young people throughout the world have benefitted from their placement with U.S. internship hosts. They have had the opportunity to experience the latest trends in the global marketplace; and WHEREAS, the Cross Cultural Internship Program has provided its interns with exposure to American techniques, methodologies, and technology, and has helped them increase their understanding of American business practices which they can then take back to their countries; and

WHEREAS, through its commitment to empowering the leaders of the international and New York business community and their governments, the Cross Cultural Internship Program is creating a bridge of cross-cultural understanding and cooperation to the benefit of all concerned; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Cross Cultural Internship Program under the leadership of its founder, Elizabeth Kay, be congratulated for its impact on the community, the state, and the future of our international community; and be it further **RESOLVED,** that a copy of this Proclamation be presented to the Cross Cultural Internship Program upon the occasion of its Fifteenth Anniversary celebration on the 11th of August, 2023.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have inscribed my name below.



John Stavisky
New York State Senate
District 11