

## 2021-K799

Assembly Resolution No. 799

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim  
May 3, 2022, as Teacher Appreciation Day in the  
State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize  
official days that are set aside to highlight the men and women who lend  
their passion and skills to educating our children; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize  
Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 3, 2022, as Teacher Appreciation  
Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of  
National Teacher Appreciation Day; and

WHEREAS, On October 5, 1994, more than 100 different countries  
created the first World Teacher's Day; for decades, the National  
Parent-Teacher Association has designated the Tuesday in the first full  
week of May as Teacher Appreciation Day; and

WHEREAS, This day focuses on the teachers who work to make public  
schools great places for students to succeed in life, as well as to  
honor teachers and recognize the lasting contributions they make in the  
lives of their students; and

WHEREAS, In America's public-school system, there are 3.2 million  
full-time-equivalent teachers as of 2021; and

WHEREAS, Our teachers are more than purveyors of knowledge in the  
classroom, they also serve our students as role models and mentors and  
positively impact the lives of students well beyond the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Few other professionals touch as many people as do teachers; the last two years, the Teacher Appreciation Day celebration took on new meaning as educators stepped up in unprecedented ways to meet their students' academic and emotional needs during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of this great Empire State recognize our teachers educate and nurture all students to be responsible citizens, critical thinkers and life-long learners to successfully compete in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize the educators of New York State who work to open the minds of their students to new ideas, knowledge and dreams; who keep American democracy alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship; who fill many roles such as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators and mentors; and who continue to influence their students long after the school days are only memories; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 3, 2022, as Teacher Appreciation Day in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York.