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Senate Resolution No. 1064

BY: Senator O'MARA

MOURNING the death of Ashur Terwilliger, distinguished citizen, and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Ashur Terwilliger of Lowman, New York, died on Sunday, December 18, 2022, at the age of 85; and

WHEREAS, Ashur Terwilliger distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Ashur Terwilliger's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, For more than one-half century, Ashur served his community in varied roles of leadership and volunteerism, including serving as the Director of the Chemung Farm Bureau, a Member of the Town of Baldwin Planning Board, a Member of the Chemung County Fair Planning Board, numerous task forces and community groups, and founded the first oil and

gas coalition in the area; and

WHEREAS, He worked with dedication for the Town of Baldwin Highway Department and worked his way to fulfilling the esteemed role of Superintendent, a position he held for 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Ashur Terwilliger leaves behind an unparalleled legacy of service to his community, most notably, his 50 years of service to the Chemung County Farm Bureau with 30 years served as President; and

WHEREAS, With his caring nature and love for children, Ashur Terwilliger set up the Lowman Little League Baseball program, providing a great new service to the families in his community; and

WHEREAS, Ashur Terwilliger is survived by his loving wife of 66 years, Margaret; his sons, Christopher, Ross, and Ashur; his 7 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Ashur Terwilliger leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Ashur Terwilliger, distinguished citizen, and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Ashur Terwilliger.