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Senate Resolution No. 3162

BY: Senator PARKER

MOURNING the death of Joel L. Schnur, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, There are certain outstanding members of our community who, through their selfless commitment and dedication, have served to better the quality of life in our community and have had a measurable positive impact on the lives of its residents; Joel L. Schnur was one such individual; and

WHEREAS, It is with great sorrow and deep regret that this
Legislative Body records the passing of Joel L. Schnur, noting the
significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Senior Vice President of Schnur Associates, Inc., Joel L. Schnur of Brooklyn, New York, died on Wednesday, April 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Born in 1948 to Milton and Ray Schnur, Joel grew up in the Bronx and went on to attend Yeshiva University; and

WHEREAS, Joel L. Schnur distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious career in government and politics which traversed more than three decades, Joel L. Schnur was the consummate professional; he joined the firm Schnur Associates, Inc. in 1998, after a decade as Deputy Director for the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC); and

WHEREAS, During his tenure, Joel L. Schnur coordinated a network of key community leaders to lobby members of Congress, monitored nationwide Senate and House elections, served as liaison to federal, state and local officials, and oversaw fundraising and programming for major AIPAC contributors; and

WHEREAS, Prior to that, this extraordinary man served as a senior housing official in the three Koch Administrations and was on the campaign staffs of presidential, senatorial and municipal candidates; he also successfully secured government and foundation grants for national and local not-for-profit service organizations; and

WHEREAS, Joel L. Schnur's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, A registered lobbyist in New York City and New York State, Joel L. Schnur served as a confidante to both elected officials and their staff, truly earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Joel L. Schnur is survived by his wife, Zeesy Schnur; three children, Mordechai Schnur, Danielle Schnur and Ethan Schnur; and nine grandchildren; as well as two siblings, Binah Pam and David Schnur; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of

compassion, Joel L. Schnur 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 Joel L. Schnur, 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 Joel L. Schnur.