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Senate Resolution No. 3275

BY: Senator PARKER

MOURNING the death of Ronald Everton Nathan,
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; Ronald Everton Nathan was one such
individual; and

WHEREAS, It is with great sorrow and deep regret that this
Legislative Body records the passing of Ronald Everton Nathan, noting
the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Everton Nathan of Brooklyn, New York, died on May 5,
2020, at the age of 68, due to complications related to the novel
coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known as Bobby, Ronald Everton Nathan was
born to Joyce Peterkin and Fitzgerald Nathan on September 8, 1951, in
Kingston, Jamaica; and

WHEREAS, At the age of 16, Ronald Everton Nathan immigrated to the
United States where he joined his mother and stepfather who had settled
in Brooklyn, New York a few years prior; he attended Boys High School,
and in 1972, he reunited with his childhood sweetheart, Pam, when she
immigrated to New York City with her family; and

WHEREAS, A hardworking man of true integrity, Ronald Everton Nathan

served as a cab driver, part-owner of a Bodega in Crown Heights, Brooklyn, and most notably, as a construction worker, having worked on Brooklyn's now famous Atlantic Mall; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his community, Ronald Everton Nathan had a soft spot for the elderly and was well-known for helping friends and neighbors in any way he could; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Everton Nathan loved to read any newspaper he could get his hands on; he also loved music, grocery shopping, watching action movies, spending time with his family, and spoiling his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, His greatest joy in life was doting on his wife, Pam, and always looking out for her, a sweet testimony to 50 years of marital bliss, commitment and true love; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, Ronald Everton Nathan is survived by his two children, Jahmeliah and Sion; two grandchildren, Sionna and Liam; a sister, Beverly; Sister-in-Law, Jakki; and Brothers-in-Law, Kassa and Danny; as well as many beloved cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family and dear friends; he is predeceased by his beloved mother, Joyce, whom he cared for until her death; and

WHEREAS, Ronald Everton Nathan, who displayed many exceptional talents and unique qualities, lived an immensely beautiful life built on compassion, kindness, and respect for others; and

WHEREAS, Through his profound words of wisdom, Ronald Everton Nathan's legacy of infinite selflessness, quiet strength and benevolence, will shine on through his family's vivid and happy memories; his insight and strength will forever serve as a beacon of love and hope for all who were privileged to have known and loved such an amazing person; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Ronald Everton Nathan, 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 Ronald Everton Nathan.