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Senate Resolution No. 2843

BY: Senator KENNEDY

MOURNING the tragic and untimely death of Andre S. Mackniel, devoted father, brother and uncle, and distinguished 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; Andre S. Mackniel was one such individual; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Andre S. Mackniel, noting the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Andre S. Mackniel of Auburn, New York, died on Saturday, May 14, 2022, in the devastating act of violence which took place at the Tops Friendly Market on historic Jefferson Avenue; he was 53 years old; and

WHEREAS, Born in Buffalo, New York, on March 8, 1969, the oldest son of Lynda Mackniel and James L. Elliott, Andre S. Mackniel attended South Park High School where he played basketball and excelled in his academics; and

WHEREAS, Andre S. Mackniel was engaged to Tracey Maciuliwicz, with

whom he lived and shared his life along with their son, Andre Jr.; and

WHEREAS, A loving, God fearing and family man, Andre S. Mackniel worked as a cook and was a stay-at-home dad; and

WHEREAS, While he was passionate about many things, including basketball, playing the guitar, writing poems and listening to music, above all his greatest passion was spending time with his family; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his fiancée, Andre S. Mackniel is survived by his five children who were his pride and joy, Shawanda Rogers (nee Elliott), Andrea Beckman (nee Elliott), LeAdrea Elliott, Deja Brown (nee Elliott) and Andre Mackniel Jr.; four brothers, Yvonne James Elliott, Marcus Elliott, Malik Elliott and Jimmy Elliott; four sisters, Andre'Anna Unique Porter, Rose White (nee Elliott), Darlissa Elliott, and Marshett Elliott; and three grandchildren; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends; he is predeceased by his parents; a brother, James Elliott III; his grandmothers, Ella Manuel (nee Jackson) and Georgia Wright; and grandfathers, James L. Elliott Sr. and Robert P. Copes; and

WHEREAS, Andre S. Mackniel's infinite selflessness 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, light and hope to the countless lives he touched; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Andre S. Mackniel leaves behind a legacy which will long

endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all who were privileged to have known and loved such an amazing man; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this

Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the tragic and untimely death of Andre S. Mackniel, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Andre S. Mackniel.