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Senate Resolution No. 524

BY: Senator CLEARE

MOURNING the death of Abraham Snyder, 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 endeavors served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Snyder of the Bronx, New York, died on February 3, 2023, at the age of 86; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Snyder, affectionately known as Abe, distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

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

WHEREAS, Born to Edward and Rosetta Snyder in Picayune, Mississippi, Abraham Snyder was instilled with a great sense of faith; he attended Union Baptist Church, where he participated in many youth activities with his brothers; and WHEREAS, Abraham Snyder attended Southern University and graduated in 1959 with his Bachelor of Science degree; in 1960, he moved to Harlem, New York; and

WHEREAS, Soon after moving to New York, Abraham Snyder joined the Mount Olivet Baptist Church where he was an active Sunday School teacher; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Snyder met his beloved wife, Lucinda Brumfield, in the spring of 1962; certain of their undeniable connection, the two blissfully married on December 1st of the same year; and

WHEREAS, Serving as a social worker in the city of New York, Abraham Snyder was able to keep families together and work to find better environments for many; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Snyder was a founding member of the Association of Black Social Workers, and served as a member of the Urban League, the NAACP, Chama, and other action groups working to make life better for his surrounding community; pridefully, he was a founding member of the African American Day Parade, Inc., which highlights African American culture, heritage, and unity, showcases the best and brightest of the community, and commemorates legacies; and

WHEREAS, Abraham Snyder is survived by wife, Lucinda Snyder; two children, Sheila Robinson and David Snyder; granddaughter, Jasmine Robinson; great grandson, Akil Bakari Robinson Harris; his three

brothers, Edward Snyder, Walter Snyder, and Arthur Snyder; and many nieces and nephews; and

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

compassion, Abraham Snyder 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 Abraham Snyder, 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 Abraham Snyder.