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Senate Resolution No. 668

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Robert Rosenbloom,
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, Robert "Bob" Rosenbloom of Ossining, New York, died on
Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at the age of 76; and

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

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

WHEREAS, Born in St. Louis, Missouri on August 20, 1945, to the late
Harriet (Silberstein) and S. Eugene Rosenbloom, Robert Rosenbloom
graduated from Princeton University in 1967, and later completed a
Doctorate degree in Political Science at Stanford University; and

WHEREAS, Shortly after his graduation from Princeton, Robert Rosenbloom served in Bolivia with the Peace Corps; proving a formative experience that shaped the trajectory of his life-long volunteerism, he discovered passion for community development, as well as for Latin American culture and the Spanish language; and

WHEREAS, Robert Rosenbloom was an Assistant Professor of Politics at Mount Holyoke college before moving on to join the Corporate Social Responsibility team at Chemical Bank (later JPMorgan Chase Foundation) in 1983; and

WHEREAS, Over the following 22 years, in a great act of selflessness and care for others, Robert Rosenbloom and a group of his close-knit colleagues funded millions of dollars in grants to charitable organizations in the U.S. and around the world; and

WHEREAS, Committed to social justice on a local level, and after his retirement from JPMorgan Chase, Robert Rosenbloom worked part-time for the Housing Action Council, helping Westchester residents facing foreclosure; for years, he sat on the boards of the IFCA Housing Network and the Ethical Society of Northern Westchester; he additionally volunteered with the Neighbors Link organization to help immigrants learn English and integrate into American life; and

WHEREAS, In his free time, Robert Rosenbloom's hobbies included reading historical fiction or non-fiction, walking in Rockefeller State Park, swimming at Club Fit, kayaking the Croton River, making lattes,

baking bread, eating ice cream, watching movies, enjoying music, and spending time with his cherished friends and family; and

WHEREAS, Robert Rosenbloom is survived by his wife of 49 years,

Lisa; son, Philip; daughter, Kate; grandsons, Lucien and Caleb; and sisters, Bettyann and Jane; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Robert Rosenbloom 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 Robert Rosenbloom, 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 Robert Rosenbloom.