

Assembly Resolution No. 269

**BY:** M. of A. McDonald

**RECOGNIZING** Friday, October 25, 2019, as Real Kids Wear Pink Day, and paying special tribute to Carli O'Hara, founder of this vital campaign

**WHEREAS,** It is the practice of this Legislative Body to recognize days that are set aside to increase awareness of serious illnesses that affect the lives of citizens of New York State; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the further sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those young people within the great Empire State who have made strong contributions to their communities and who serve as role models for their peers; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize Friday, October 25, 2019, as Real Kids Wear Pink Day, and to pay special tribute to Carli O'Hara, founder of this vital campaign; and

**WHEREAS,** Carli O'Hara is the founder of the American Cancer Society's campaign, Real Kids Wear Pink, which started in the Capital Region, and currently has grown to be adopted in cities across the Nation; and

**WHEREAS,** A student at Cohoes Middle School, Carli O'Hara watched her father participate in the Real Men Wear Pink campaign and came up with the idea because she knew that if she brought other kids together they could also make a difference in the fight against breast cancer; and

**WHEREAS,** Carli O'Hara, who was inspired by her grandmother, a breast cancer survivor, is committed to continuing her fund raising efforts with the hope that someday no other grandmother has to hear the words "you have breast cancer"; and

**WHEREAS,** With an official Real Kids Wear Pink Day, this young girl of remarkable distinction is confident that this day will bring kids across the region together to raise both funds and awareness, and show them, they really can make a difference; and

**WHEREAS,** When campaigns of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize Friday, October 25, 2019, as Real Kids Wear Pink Day, and to pay special tribute to Carli O'Hara; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Carli O'Hara.