

Senate Resolution No. 1538

**BY:** Senator ORTT

**COMMENDING** former Senator Martin J. Golden for his illustrious service as a dedicated political leader and strong advocate for the people of the State of New York

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those individuals of distinguished purpose whose lives have been committed to public service and the pursuit of excellence in the conduct of the legislative process in this noble Empire State; Martin J. Golden is one such individual; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend former Senator Martin J. Golden for his illustrious service as a dedicated political leader and strong advocate for the people of the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** A retired New York City Police Officer, Martin J. Golden represented the 43rd Councilman District within New York City; and

**WHEREAS,** Senator Martin J. Golden was elected in 2002 to represent the Brooklyn residents of the 22nd Senate District, where he served with honor and distinction from 2003 until 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** In this capacity, Senator Martin J. Golden authored over 222 laws championing public safety, tax cuts, economic development, and senior citizen issues; and

**WHEREAS,** Senator Martin J. Golden also worked arduously to strengthen the Megan's Law sex offender registry and expand the DNA databank to include every individual who was previously convicted of a felony and/or a misdemeanor; and

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, Senator Martin J. Golden secured approximately \$11.2 billion for New York City Public schools and fought for the rights of senior citizens through the Assisted Living Law of 2004; and

**WHEREAS,** Martin J. Golden resides in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, with his wife, Colleen, and together they are the proud parents of two children; and

**WHEREAS,** Every citizen in New York State has most certainly benefited, in one way or another, from the deep dedication, intelligence and commitment former Senator Martin J. Golden brought to his work as a legislator, loyal friend, and trusted advisor; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the custom of this Legislative Body to reflect upon those outstanding individuals who have made everlasting contributions on behalf of their fellow man and have truly left their mark on this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize and applaud the many accomplishments of former Senator Martin J. Golden, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to former New York State Senator Martin J. Golden.