

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of William H. Kuebler,
distinguished photojournalist 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 this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, William H. Kuebler of Chappaqua, New York, died on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at the age of 67; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known as Bill, William H. Kuebler was married to his beloved wife, Lori Ensinger, for 26 years; she is the President of Westchester Land Trust, a non-profit organization her husband also took pride in, serving as the Land Steward from 2007-2013; and

WHEREAS, Born in Queens, New York, and later moving to Chappaqua, William H. Kuebler attended Horace Greeley High School and graduated from Pace University; following his graduation, he soon became a career photojournalist; and

WHEREAS, William H. Kuebler was a talented photojournalist with a specialized interest in landscape photography, highlighting the simple beauty and restorative power of lands in their natural state; and

WHEREAS, With a deep-rooted passion for environmental conservation, William H. Kuebler volunteered much of his free time to work with the Teatown Lake Reservation and Guiding Eyes for the Blind; he also co-founded the "Take It or Leave It Shop" in Chappaqua, where he volunteered every Saturday for nearly 20 years to ensure thousands of reusable items did not end up in the waste stream; and

WHEREAS, In addition to photography and easement monitoring, he was a talented craftsman who installed and maintained educational signage along trails, built and repaired birdhouses, and helped construct boardwalks to allow hikers to cross over wet sections of trails; and

WHEREAS, William H. Kuebler distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, William H. Kuebler's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, William H. Kuebler is survived by his loving wife, Lori Ensinger; a brother, Kenneth; two uncles, Christopher and Kevin; four grand nephews and nieces, and several cousins; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, William H. Kuebler 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 William H. Kuebler, distinguished photojournalist 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 William H. Kuebler.