

**BY:** Senator KENNEDY

**MOURNING** the tragic and untimely death of Margus D. Morrison, devoted father and distinguished member of his community

**WHEREAS,** There are certain outstanding members of our community who, through their selfless commitment and dedication, have served to better the quality of life in our community and have had a measurable positive impact on the lives of its residents; Margus D. Morrison was one such individual; and

**WHEREAS,** It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Margus D. Morrison, noting the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

**WHEREAS,** Margus D. Morrison of Buffalo, New York, died on Saturday, May 14, 2022, in the devastating act of violence which took place at the Tops Friendly Market on historic Jefferson Avenue; he was 52 years old; and

**WHEREAS,** A loving father, caring friend, and a kind and generous person, Margus D. Morrison graduated from Bennett High School in 1990, and built his life in Buffalo with his adored companion for the last 25 years, Regina Patterson, raising his beloved children and always willing to do whatever was needed for his loved ones; and

**WHEREAS,** Margus D. Morrison served as a bus aide for Buffalo Public Schools' Stanley M. Makowski Early Childhood Center where he is remembered as a punctual and reliable person with a wonderful sense of humor and who truly made a difference in the lives of countless local children; and

**WHEREAS,** While he was passionate about many things, above all his greatest passion was spending time with his family; and

**WHEREAS,** Margus D. Morrison's infinite selflessness and benevolence will shine on through his family's vivid and happy memories; his insight and strength will forever serve as a beacon of love, light and hope to the countless lives he touched; and

**WHEREAS,** Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Margus D. Morrison leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all who were privileged to have known and loved such an amazing man; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the tragic and untimely death of Margus D. Morrison, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Margus D. Morrison.