

Senate Resolution No. 344

BY: Senator MANNION

COMMENDING Nathan Bustin upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend the caring concern and heroic acts of individuals who take prompt and appropriate action in emergency situations, nobly risking their own lives in an effort to preserve the life of another; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Nathan Bustin upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by Resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, On January 3, 2021, at approximately, 6:25pm, Nathan Bustin was with his mother Lisa Bustin, traveling northbound on Route 481 in the town of Cicero, New York, when his mother suddenly developed a medical crisis and lost consciousness, causing her to lose control of the motor vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Without hesitation, this brave young man immediately took action by grabbing the steering wheel; he was unable to reach the brake or gas pedals to stop the vehicle, but managed to take control, at which time he grabbed his mother's cellphone and quickly called 911; and

WHEREAS, Amazingly, no one was injured and Nathan Bustin's mother, Lisa Bustin was transported safely to the hospital; if not for his quick and immediate response, the outcome of this incident could have been much different; and

WHEREAS, The Cicero Police Department recently honored Nathan Bustin from Clay, New York, for his actions; on January 20, 2021, a ceremony was held at the Cicero Fire Department, where he received the CPD Life Saving Award; also present at the ceremony were members of the Cicero Fire Department and the North Area Volunteer Ambulance Corps; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Nathan Bustin has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Nathan Bustin, in his spontaneous and heroic act, has so aptly demonstrated his character and compassion for the welfare of others, personifying, by virtue of his action, the collective concern of

ordinary citizens across the community of New York State who voluntarily respond without thought of danger or reward when others are in need of help; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Nathan Bustin upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nathan Bustin.