

**BY:** Senator BAILEY

**CELEBRATING** Father's Day on June 18, 2023

**WHEREAS,** From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to join with the special men in their lives to celebrate Father's Day on Sunday, June 18, 2023; and

**WHEREAS,** Fifty-eight years after the founding of Mother's Day, President Richard Nixon declared Father's Day an official holiday in 1972; and

**WHEREAS,** Just like Mother's Day, Father's Day is a way of honoring the sacrifices fathers make for their children; and

**WHEREAS,** Today, over 50 years later, Father's Day remains the one day out of the year to praise and pay tribute to fathers, and all other men who have taken on that role and acted as a father figure in their children's lives, including those being raised in a single parent home, whether it be an uncle, stepfather, grandfather, friend or big brother; and

**WHEREAS,** These outstanding men show great strength and selflessness, as well as spend countless hours offering their love, support and guidance to the children in their lives, acting as role models and inspiring them to develop to their fullest potential; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is proud to pay tribute and commend all fathers and father figures who are worthy of full recognition for their valued contributions and who should be celebrated by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to celebrate Father's Day on June 18, 2023.