

Senate Resolution No. 902

**BY:** Senator HARCKHAM

**MOURNING** the death of Patricia M. Fox Reilly,  
dedicated elected official, registered nurse, and  
committed volunteer

**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 the great  
State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Patricia M. Fox Reilly of Mount Kisco, New York died on  
November 29, 2022, at the age of 91; and

**WHEREAS,** Born to the late Mayor J. Edward Fox and Mary Fox on April  
16, 1931, in Mount Kisco, New York, Patricia M. Fox Reilly lived a life  
of service and commitment to community; and

**WHEREAS,** Patricia M. Fox Reilly attended Saint Francis Grammar  
School and the Academy of Our Lady of Good Counsel before moving onto  
her post-secondary education at St. Vincent's Hospital School of  
Nursing, New York University (B.S. in Nursing), and Western Connecticut  
State University (M.S.); she first worked at the, then, Mount Kisco  
Hospital, beginning her career there in 1951; and

**WHEREAS,** Patricia M. Fox Reilly distinguished herself in her  
profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to  
the welfare of her community; and

**WHEREAS,** Serving as an elected official in Mount Kisco for ten  
years, Patricia M. Fox Reilly was a Trustee for six years, and fulfilled  
the esteemed role of Mayor for four; a lifelong citizen of the village,  
she was motivated to make significant, positive change and impacts that  
would leave the area better than she found it; and

**WHEREAS,** After raising her six children, Patricia M. Fox Reilly was  
employed as a Nurse-Teacher and Health Services Coordinator in the  
Bedford Central School District for many years; she also continued to  
lend her time as a substitute nurse in the school system for a period  
after her retirement; additionally, she worked at the Swiss Home in her  
free time; and

**WHEREAS,** Faith was also incredibly important in Patricia M. Fox  
Reilly's life; she was a lifelong parishioner of Saint Francis of Assisi  
Church, and served as a Lay Eucharistic Minister and member of the  
Parish Council; and

**WHEREAS,** The recipient of numerous accolades and recognitions,  
Patricia M. Fox Reilly has been honored by each of the following  
organizations over her lifetime: Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians  
(Past President); Mount Kisco Historical Society (trustee); Friends in  
Service Helping (FISH) (coordinator & driver); Salvation Army (former

district volunteer); Boys & Girls Club of Northern Westchester (Board Member for 48 years); Search for Change (Director); Beautification Committee (Trustee & Former Chairperson); Mount Kisco Recreation Commission (Former Chairperson); Mount Kisco Seniors (Past President & Vice President); Northern Westchester Hospital Presidents' Council; Alpha Beta Delta Sorority (Former President); Memorial Day Committee; and Woodcrest Homeowners Association (Past President & Board Member); and

**WHEREAS,** She was the Grand Marshall of the Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Mount Kisco, Aide to the Grand Marshall for the NYC Saint Patrick's Day Parade; was inducted into the Westchester County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame; was the Knights of Columbus Recognition of Civic Leader of the Year; received the Salvation Army Volunteer Award, and was Mount Kisco Citizen of the Year in 1991; and

**WHEREAS,** Patricia M. Fox Reilly's commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

**WHEREAS,** With a love for spending time with family and friends, Patricia M. Fox Reilly cherished her six decades of memories from time spent in Cape Cod; she was often involved in numerous parades, and cherished time spent together with family on holidays, always inviting more and more guests to join in on the festivities; and

**WHEREAS,** Patricia M. Fox Reilly is survived by her beloved sister, Joan; her cherished children, Marlene, Edward, Patrick, Kathy, John, and Kevin; her adored thirteen grandchildren, Kristina, Dustin, Kelly, Ian, Bridget, Patrick A., Brian, Catie, Martha, Charlie, Teddy, Aleah, and Danny; and her many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends who became family throughout her lifetime; she was predeceased by her brother-in-law, William, "Bill," who rounded out the "three musketeers" of Pat, Joan, and Bill; and

**WHEREAS,** Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Patricia M. Fox Reilly leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Patricia M. Fox Reilly, dedicated elected official, registered nurse, and committed volunteer; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Patricia M. Fox Reilly.