

Assembly Resolution No. 311

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MOURNING the death of Dr. Arnold E. Elman,
dedicated teacher, meritorious veteran, and
distinguished 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 leadership served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold E. Elman of Clifton Park, New York, passed away at his home on Saturday, March 18, 2023, at the age of 90; and

WHEREAS, Arnold E. Elman was born on March 30, 1933, to Annabelle and Abraham Elman in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; as a young child, he and his family moved to New York City; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Stuyvesant High School in Manhattan, Arnold E. Elman attended the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy of Long Island University, Oneonta State Teachers College, and The State College for Teachers at Albany, where he received his bachelor's degree in English and his master's degree in secondary education; and

WHEREAS, At the State College for Teachers at Albany, Arnold E. Elman met the love of his life, the former Toby Helen Scher, and after marrying, they moved to Long Island where he taught until 1968; and

WHEREAS, Arnold E. Elman proudly served his country as a member of the 3rd Infantry Division of the United States Army, stationed in both Georgia and Germany; and

WHEREAS, Following his military service, Arnold E. Elman received his doctorate degree from the University at Albany and served as the superintendent of schools in Coventry, Connecticut, and later, in Ellenville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold E. Elman served in his role as superintendent of schools in Ellenville until his retirement in 1989; shortly thereafter, he and his wife moved to Clifton Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, In retirement, Dr. Arnold E. Elman served as an emergency medical technician with the Ballston Lake Emergency Squad, President of the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Library Board and Southern Adirondack Library System, and trustee for various local organizations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold E. Elman had many passions and interests including the sciences, ancient geography, classical music, poetry, and the study of modern languages; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold E. Elman is survived by his loving wife of over 66 years, Toby; two daughters, Abbie Van Wely and Sara Whiting; one son,

Eric Elman; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; as well as numerous colleagues and friends who will long cherish his memory; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Arnold E. Elman leaves behind an inspirational and noteworthy legacy as an educator, military serviceman, superintendent, community member, and loving family member that will endure the passage of time; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Dr. Arnold E. Elman, and to express its deepest gratitude for his service to our country, state and communities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Dr. Arnold E. Elman.