

BY: Senator KAMINSKY

HONORING Veronica Dale upon the occasion of her 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 honor Veronica Dale upon the occasion of her 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, Veronica Dale, a bus driver for Long Beach Public Schools, was on her bus route, when a female student seated at the back of the bus began choking on food; and

WHEREAS, Responding without hesitation, Veronica Dale pulled the bus over and immediately began to administer the Heimlich Maneuver, dislodging the food from the students mouth and allowing her to breathe again; and

WHEREAS, The quick and astute actions of Veronica Dale ultimately saved the young life of the student, enabling her to experience a life full of tomorrows and a future filled with endless possibilities; and

WHEREAS, The proud mother of three and a resident of Long Beach, New York, Veronica Dale has worked for the school's Transportation Department since 2014; and

WHEREAS, Veronica Dale, in her spontaneous and heroic act, has so aptly demonstrated her character and compassion for the welfare of others, personifying, by virtue of her 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 honor Veronica Dale upon the occasion of her 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 Veronica Dale.