

**BY:** Senator MYRIE

**COMMEMORATING** the Anniversary celebration of the Birthday of the revered Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson

**WHEREAS,** The true architects of society and community are those individuals whose faith and unremitting commitment serve to sustain the spiritual and cultural values of life; the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson was surely such an individual; and

**WHEREAS,** World Jewry is now celebrating the 119th birthday of the renowned and revered leader of World Jewry, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson; and

**WHEREAS,** Serving over 44 years of dedicated leadership, Rabbi Schneerson established over 1,500 Lubavitch Centers, helping people of all walks of life throughout the world -- from Australia to Africa, from Holland to Argentina, from Moscow to Mumbai; and

**WHEREAS,** Rabbi Schneerson's educational activities throughout the globe have enriched and strengthened the religious, educational, cultural and ethical fibers of all citizens of the world; and

**WHEREAS,** He was a remarkable and holy man who inspired millions of Jews and non-Jews to greater dedication, loyalty and commitment in all matters "between man and G-d" and "between man and man"; and

**WHEREAS,** Rabbi Schneerson proclaimed the Redemption was on its way and he called upon all citizens of the world to prepare with a personal commitment to increase all activities of goodness and kindness; and

**WHEREAS,** Today, in the United States of America, the Chabad Lubavitch movement has institutions in every State of the Union; and

**WHEREAS,** Globally, the Chabad Lubavitch movement operates over 5,000 centers in over 1,000 cities in 102 countries all over the world; and

**WHEREAS,** During the last 81 years, since 1940, the Chabad Lubavitch movement has their World Headquarters in the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** This year, Wednesday, March 24, 2021, corresponding to 11 Nissan, 5781, the Rebbe's 119th birthday, to Tuesday, July 20, 2021, corresponding to 10 Av, 5781 celebrated as "118 Days of Education," in tribute to the educational endeavors of this visionary leader and learned gentleman on behalf of all mankind; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout his purposeful journey of life, Rabbi Schneerson compiled, with dignity and grace, decades filled with philanthropic causes, humanitarian effort and astute Judaic leadership, justly earning the devotion of his followers and the admiration and respect of his fellow man; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the traditional observance of the Anniversary of the Birthday of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, and to recognize March 24, 2021 to July 20, 2021, as "118 Days of Education" in tribute to the educational endeavors of the beloved Rebbe; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rabbi Shmuel M. Butman, Director of the Lubavitch Youth Organization.