

Senate Resolution No. 1064

**BY:** Senator O'MARA

**MOURNING** the death of Ashur Terwilliger,  
distinguished citizen, and devoted 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 endeavor  
served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great  
State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Ashur Terwilliger of Lowman, New York, died on Sunday,  
December 18, 2022, at the age of 85; and

**WHEREAS,** Ashur Terwilliger distinguished himself in his profession  
and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the  
welfare of his community; and

**WHEREAS,** Ashur Terwilliger's commitment to excellence, and his  
spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise,  
including charitable and civic endeavors; and

**WHEREAS,** For more than one-half century, Ashur served his community  
in varied roles of leadership and volunteerism, including serving as the  
Director of the Chemung Farm Bureau, a Member of the Town of Baldwin  
Planning Board, a Member of the Chemung County Fair Planning Board,  
numerous task forces and community groups, and founded the first oil and  
gas coalition in the area; and

**WHEREAS,** He worked with dedication for the Town of Baldwin Highway  
Department and worked his way to fulfilling the esteemed role of  
Superintendent, a position he held for 25 years; and

**WHEREAS,** Ashur Terwilliger leaves behind an unparalleled legacy of  
service to his community, most notably, his 50 years of service to the  
Chemung County Farm Bureau with 30 years served as President; and

**WHEREAS,** With his caring nature and love for children, Ashur  
Terwilliger set up the Lowman Little League Baseball program, providing  
a great new service to the families in his community; and

**WHEREAS,** Ashur Terwilliger is survived by his loving wife of 66  
years, Margaret; his sons, Christopher, Ross, and Ashur; his 7  
grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren; and

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

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to  
mourn the death of Ashur Terwilliger, distinguished citizen, and devoted

member of his community; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Ashur Terwilliger.