Senate Resolution No. 1153

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Neil Francis Gollogly, 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, Neil Francis Gollogly, of Yorktown Heights, New York, died on Sunday, June 1, 2025, at the age of 92; and

WHEREAS, In 1932, Neil Francis Gollogly was born to Neil T. Gollogly and Anna Daly, hard-working Scottish immigrants, in Tarrytown, New York; and

WHEREAS, As a first-generation Scottish American, Neil Francis Gollogly lived a life defined by selflessness, service, and devotion to both family and community; when he was a young child, he delivered newspapers and served as an altar boy at St. Theresa's Parish where he also attended grammar school; he graduated from North Tarrytown High School where he excelled as a member of the track team; and

WHEREAS, In 1951, Neil Francis Gollogly was drawn to military service and entered the United States Navy where he trained as an electrician and developed a lifelong love for the sea; after his Navy days, he settled in Millwood, New York, with his beloved wife, Katherine (Kae), where the couple raised five children; and

WHEREAS, Neil Francis Gollogly was an Electrician Foreman at Reader's Digest for many years; in 1958, he joined the Millwood Fire Company, moving his way up the ranks, and in 1969, he was named Fire Chief; tragically, that same year, he became a widower and single father to his five young children; and

WHEREAS, In 1976, Neil Francis Gollogly found love again and married Nan; in 1983, he welcomed his sixth child; and

WHEREAS, Neil Francis Gollogly never stopped volunteering, rising through the ranks of community leadership and eventually becoming Fire Commissioner of the Millwood Fire District; and

WHEREAS, Neil Francis Gollogly played a pivotal role in securing plans for a new firehouse, laying the groundwork for future generations of first responders; he was also a Charter Member of the Westchester County Parade Judges Association, enjoying the fellowship and tradition of the region's fire service; and

WHEREAS, Neil Francis Gollogly is survived by his devoted wife of 49 years, Nan; children, Neil (Beth) Gollogly, Thomas Gollogly, Kathy

(Stan) Heist, Marianne Reba, and Douglas (Kate) Gollogly; daughter-in-law, Sandy Gollogly; grandchildren, Kate, Kelly, Kevin, Taylor, Neil, Kim, Scott, Erin, and Grace; and great-grandchild,

one-year-old Pippen; he was predeceased by his sister, Mary (Frank) Galgano, and his beloved son, Kevin Gollogly; and

WHEREAS, Neil Francis Gollogly always acted with conviction and a deep commitment to his community; his strong values and faith shaped the family he raised and the legacy he leaves behind; he will always be remembered for his integrity, fierce work ethic, sense of humor, and friendly smile; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Neil Francis Gollogly 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 Neil Francis Gollogly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Neil Francis Gollogly.