Senate Resolution No. 1390

BY: Senator PERSAUD

MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim April 10, 2026, as Encourage a Young Writer Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official days that are set aside to increase awareness of initiatives which better the lives of New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim April 10, 2026, as Encourage a Young Writer Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observation of National Encourage a Young Writer Day; and

WHEREAS, Writing is a form of personal freedom, allowing the author to express their thoughts and feelings in their own imaginative and poetic way; and

WHEREAS, Writing can be difficult and challenging at times, but immensely fun; Encourage a Young Writer Day is meant to inspire young people with a vivid imagination to express their ideas by developing their writing skills; and

WHEREAS, There are many ways to support a young writer such as buy them a journal, offer writing prompts, encourage them to read, inspire them to try multiple writing styles and different voices, and create a young writer's group; and

WHEREAS, In many ways, writing is an art; the arts, in whatever form depicted, are truly central to human expression; and

WHEREAS, The Academy of Young Writers, a community school located at 1065 Elton Street in Brooklyn, New York, incorporates the core values of respect, kindness, safety and empathy into students' scholastic and creative pursuits; and

WHEREAS, It is essential that we take the time to encourage our young writers to convey their personal truths about humanity, and to express their hopes and dreams through their writing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim April 10, 2026, as Encourage a Young Writer Day in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York; and the student body, faculty, and staff of The Academy for Young Writers of Brooklyn, New York.