

Senate Resolution No. 1414

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Lois Reynolds, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her 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 this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds of Cross River, New York, died on Friday, July 18, 2025, at the age of 106; and

WHEREAS, Born on May 31, 1919, to Edwin and Marion Reynolds, Lois Reynolds was a quiet soul with a strong sense of adventure; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds resided in Cross River, New York, a town that her ancestors founded and were known for forming the Cross River Baptist Church in 1789; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds lived her life in the same family homestead that she was raised in, and she often enjoyed sitting on the front porch and watching the birds in the yard; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, Her sense of adventure led Lois Reynolds to a career with the New York Central Railroad, and she proudly retired in 1984 after 42 years of service; and

WHEREAS, In her youth, Lois Reynolds was a girl scout leader, and later in life she served as president of the Lewisboro Seniors and treasurer of the Cross River Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, Family members remember Lois Reynolds for the countless stories she had gathered throughout her fulfilling life, including stories of cross-country train rides and camping adventures with family; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds had a strong love of people and of life, oftentimes spending time gardening and appreciating cars; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds' commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Lois Reynolds is survived by her niece, Carol Ann DeRose; her nephews, Kenneth and Richard; and many grand- and great-grand-nieces and nephews; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Lois Reynolds, distinguished citizen and devoted member of her community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Lois Reynolds.