Senate Resolution No. 1445

BY: Senator PERSAUD

MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim June 7, 2026, as Cancer Survivors Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, Cancer is a medical, social, psychological, and economic issue; each and every day, people make decisions affecting the lives of the millions of people who are suffering from, or are close to someone who suffers from cancer; and

WHEREAS, Today, with over 18.6 million Americans surviving cancer, as a result of revolutionary advances in early detection, research studies and treatment, we have the opportunity to pay tribute to cancer survivors and their families; and

WHEREAS, In order to promote awareness of cancer, on Sunday, June 7, 2026, communities across New York State will celebrate life as part of the world's largest Cancer Survivors event; this special day also honors those who have lost their battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, It is a day when we come together to commemorate the daily struggles which cancer patients, survivors, and their families experience, a day which makes all of us aware that cancer is a disease without boundaries; crossing the lines of color, race, creed, sex and age, it is an unbiased disease which affects not only the lives of those inflicted with the disease, but their loved ones as well; and

WHEREAS, On this day, New York residents will be able to make a difference and applaud survivors for overcoming this illness; it will be a day of lamentation for those who lost their lives, and a day of rejoicing for those who have conquered it; and

WHEREAS, The people of New York State salute all cancer survivors, and individuals and groups which promote awareness of this disease and the need for a cure; these organizations put their daily efforts into educating and informing our entire society; their hard work and dedication are recognized on this day as an undertaking which is an ever- lasting endeavor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim June 7, 2026, as Cancer Survivors Day in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York.