Senate Resolution No. 2053

BY: Senator LIU

MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 2026, as Tennis Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, The great State of New York recognizes and appreciates the importance of sports such as tennis as a leisure activity, as an essential aspect of our educational system, and as a profession, and applauds those who devote themselves to training, often for many years, developing their skills, honing their talents, and gaining mental acuity and a well-earned sense of self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 2026, as Tennis Month in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Tennis Month; and

WHEREAS, Tennis has long served as a source of recreation, physical fitness, and community engagement for people of all ages and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, Participation in tennis continues to grow across the United States, reflecting the sport's broad appeal and lifelong benefits; and

WHEREAS, Tennis promotes physical health, mental well-being, teamwork, discipline, and social connection, while encouraging active lifestyles in communities throughout New York State; and

WHEREAS, Local tennis programs, parks, schools, and community organizations play a vital role in making the sport accessible to individuals of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, The latest research by the Physical Activity Council shows that more than 23.6 million Americans played tennis in 2022, an unprecedented 33 percent increase in participation over 2019 and the highest number of players since the PAC study began in 2007; and

WHEREAS, The month of May is recognized as National Tennis Month to encourage players, organizations, facilities, retailers, and communities to promote local tennis programs and activities, showcase the sport and its benefits, and help individuals discover opportunities to play in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 2026, as Tennis Month in the State of New York, and extend to all those affiliated with the organization sincere best wishes for the future; 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.