

Senate Resolution No. 2065

BY: Senator MATTERA

RECOGNIZING May 24, 2026, as Paige Elizabeth Keely
Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, Paige Elizabeth Keely was born on May 24, 2011, in New York and brought immense joy and light to her family and community as a vibrant, loving child known affectionately as "Paigey Bean"; and

WHEREAS, On January 8, 2018, at just six years old, Paige Elizabeth Keely tragically passed away from complications of a ruptured, undetected brain arteriovenous malformation (AVM), a congenital condition often silent until a life-threatening event occurs; and

WHEREAS, Paige Elizabeth Keely's untimely passing inspired her mother, Gina Keely, and family to establish The Paige Elizabeth Keely Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to raising awareness about brain AVMs, aneurysms, and other neurological conditions, funding critical research for early detection, and supporting affected families; and

WHEREAS, The Foundation has partnered with leading institutions such as Stony Brook Medicine's Mofakham-Mikell Laboratory to advance groundbreaking research on non-invasive imaging and early detection methods that could prevent future tragedies like Paige Elizabeth Keely's; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing May 24th - Paige's birthday - as Paige Elizabeth Keely Day provides an opportunity to honor her short but impactful life, promote awareness of AVMs and related conditions, encourage screening and education, and highlight the importance of medical research and community support for rare neurological disorders; and

WHEREAS, Recognizing Paige Elizabeth Keely Day will help educate New Yorkers about the signs, risks, and potential for early intervention in brain AVMs, while celebrating the resilience of families turning personal loss into lifesaving advocacy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize May 24, 2026, as Paige Elizabeth Keely Day in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Gina Keely and The Paige Elizabeth Keely Foundation.