Senate Resolution No. 2065

BY: Senator MATTERA

COMMEMORATING May 24, 2026, as the 15th Anniversary of the birth of Paige Elizabeth Keely

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

WHEREAS, May 24, 2026, marks the 15th anniversary of the birth of Paige Elizabeth Keely, providing an opportunity for the people of the State of New York to celebrate her life, memory, and enduring legacy; 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 that often remains silent until a life-threatening event occurs; and

WHEREAS, In the wake of this profound loss, Paige Elizabeth Keely's mother, Gina Keely, and her family established The Paige Elizabeth Keely Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness of brain AVMs, aneurysms, and other neurological conditions, supporting affected families, and advancing critical research focused on early detection and prevention; and

WHEREAS, The Paige Elizabeth Keely Foundation has partnered with leading institutions, including Stony Brook Medicine's Mofakham-Mikell Laboratory, to advance groundbreaking research into non-invasive imaging and innovative early detection methods that may help prevent future tragedies; and

WHEREAS, The anniversary of Paige Elizabeth Keely's birth serves as an opportunity to honor her life and legacy, increase public awareness of AVMs and related neurological conditions, promote education and screening efforts, and underscore the importance of continued medical research and compassionate community support; and

WHEREAS, Through advocacy, education, and remembrance, Paige Elizabeth Keely's legacy continues to inspire hope, resilience, and lifesaving awareness throughout the State of New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate May 24, 2026, as the 15th Anniversary of the birth of Paige Elizabeth Keely; and be it further

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