

Senate Resolution No. 2244

**BY:** Senator HARCKHAM

**MOURNING** the death of Dr. Robert B. Laibowitz, distinguished scientist, devoted citizen, and valued member of his 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,** Dr. Robert B. Laibowitz of Cortlandt Manor, New York, died on Thursday, May 14, 2026; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert B. Laibowitz distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

**WHEREAS,** A graduate of Yonkers High School, Robert B. Laibowitz continued his education at Columbia University where he earned his BA, BS, and MS degrees in electrical engineering; he went on to complete his PhD in Engineering Physics at Cornell University; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert B. Laibowitz's professional legacy is defined by a remarkable 46-year career at IBM Research; and

**WHEREAS,** A Fellow of the American Physical Society, Robert B. Laibowitz authored over 170 scientific papers and held more than 35 patents, leaving an indelible mark on his field; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert B. Laibowitz's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

**WHEREAS,** Ever dedicated to the field of education and service to his community, Robert B. Laibowitz served on the Hendrick Hudson School District Board of Education for a decade, advocating for the next generation of learners; and

**WHEREAS,** Robert B. Laibowitz is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Laura; his children, Kenneth (Nora), Mathew (Andrea), and Danielle (David); his sister, Janice; and six grandchildren, Benjamin, Hannah, Juliana, Rebecca, Rachel, and Desibella; and

**WHEREAS,** Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Robert B. Laibowitz leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Dr. Robert B. Laibowitz, distinguished scientist, devoted citizen, and valued member of his community; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Dr. Robert B. Laibowitz.