

Senate Resolution No. 2262

BY: Senator MARTINS

MOURNING the death of Carl L. Marcellino, former New York State Senator and distinguished citizen 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 the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Carl Louis Marcellino, of Syosset, New York, died on February 18, 2026, at the age of 83; and

WHEREAS, Carl Marcellino was born in Brooklyn, New York, on December 23, 1942; he attended public schools in Queens; furthering his education, he earned a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Science from New York University and a Professional Diploma in Administration and Supervision from St. John's University; and

WHEREAS, After a 22-year career as a science teacher and administrator in the New York City school system, Carl Marcellino was elected as the Oyster Bay Town Clerk, a position he held until his Senate special election on March 14, 1995; and

WHEREAS, From 1995-2008, Carl Marcellino served as Chairman of the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee, building a reputation as the champion of significant environmental legislation by writing more than 100 environmental laws; and

WHEREAS, Just a few of Carl Marcellino's environmental accomplishments are the landmark Brownfield/Superfund Reform Law, the Pesticide Notification Law, and the Nation's first law to phase out the groundwater contaminate MTBE from gasoline; and

WHEREAS, In 2011, Carl Marcellino was named Chairman of the Senate Investigations and Government Operations Committee which was integral to rebuilding after Superstorm Sandy; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, Carl Marcellino was named Chairman of the Senate Education Committee; his top priority was to increase education aid and permanently eliminate the Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA) policy; his efforts led to \$2 billion in new education funding; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure as Senator, Carl Marcellino held numerous titles and positions, including Majority Whip of the Senate Majority Conference, member of the Senate Committees on Finance, Rules, Labor, Environmental Protection, Cultural Affairs, Tourism, and Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, Carl Marcellino was Chairman of the Oyster Bay Western Waterfront Committee, founding member of the State Advisory

Board of the National Environmental Policy Institute, President of the New York Conference of Italian-American State Legislators, and Chairman of the National Council of State Governments; and

WHEREAS, Carl Marcellino was also the National Chair of the Council of State Governments (CAG) and a respected regional leader on the CSG East Energy and Environmental Committee; and

WHEREAS, Carl Marcellino's efforts earned him several honors and awards, including "Conservationist of the Year" by the Adirondack Council and "Legislator of the Year" by the Environmental Advocates and the Neighborhood Network; he was honored by the New York State Bar Association and granted a Legislative Leadership Award by the National Brownfield Association; and

WHEREAS, Leaving behind a remarkable legacy of public service, Carl Marcellino is survived by his wife, Patricia; son, Carl; daughter, Jean; and several grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Carl Marcellino and to honor his enduring legacy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Carl Marcellino.