

Senate Resolution No. 938

**BY:** Senator HARCKHAM

**MOURNING** the death of Michael T. Fitzsimmons, distinguished citizen and devoted 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 the great State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Michael T. Fitzsimmons of the Bronx, New York, died on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at the age of 80; and

**WHEREAS,** Michael T. Fitzsimmons distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

**WHEREAS,** Having served in the United States Navy from 1966 to 1988, Michael T. Fitzsimmons was instilled with the important principles of honor, commitment, loyalty, and service to others--values which served as guiding principles throughout his impactful life; and

**WHEREAS,** Following his admirable service in the military, Michael T. Fitzsimmons joined the Lake Carmel Fire Department and rose through the ranks, achieving the esteemed titles of president, lieutenant, and life member; and

**WHEREAS,** During his tenure with the Lake Carmel Fire Department, Michael T. Fitzsimmons enjoyed playing Santa during the holiday season, bringing great joy and endless laughter to children and adults alike--a testament to his renowned loving and gentle spirit; and

**WHEREAS,** Michael T. Fitzsimmons' commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

**WHEREAS,** Michael T. Fitzsimmons is survived by his wife, Ann; sister, Eileen; son, Matthew; daughter, Erin; and his beloved "granddog," Dora; and

**WHEREAS,** Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Michael T. Fitzsimmons 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 Michael T. Fitzsimmons, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to the family of Michael T. Fitzsimmons.