Assembly Resolution No. 115

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim February 2025, as Library Lover's Month in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official months that are set aside to increase awareness of organizations that benefit the citizens of New York State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim February 2025, as Library Lover's Month in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National Library Lover's Month; and

WHEREAS, Library Lover's Month is a month-long celebration dedicated to the people who love whole buildings devoted to reading, housing, organizing, categorizing, finding, studying and otherwise loving books; and

WHEREAS, Libraries provide so much more than a place to enjoy great novels or to discover amazing adventures and untold stories; they are places of research, places to learn, places of entertainment, community centers and public forums; and

WHEREAS, A safe haven for youth of all ages, libraries provide a place of entertainment with theater and hands on activities where children are exposed to music and art and where they often build their first friendships; and

WHEREAS, Libraries are truly a sanctuary away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, offering security as well as peace and quiet; and

WHEREAS, These vital institutions lend not only books, but music, movies, computers and more; rotating art displays give local artists exposure to the community; larger libraries provide preservation services, preserving some of the most treasured books, periodicals and documents for future generations; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim February 2025, as Library Lover's Month in the State of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New

York.