

Assembly Resolution No. 1263

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**MEMORIALIZING** Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim  
May 5, 2026, as Police Memorial Day in the State of  
New York

**WHEREAS,** Police Memorial Day is a day of remembrance for those  
police officers who have sacrificed their lives in the line of duty; and

**WHEREAS,** Police Memorial Day is a day to reflect upon the selfless  
contributions made each day by police officers to protect our society  
and well-being; and

**WHEREAS,** In New York State, 26 police officers died in 2024; and

**WHEREAS,** In 2026, 54 names will be added to the State of New York  
Police Officers Memorial, further solemnizing the enduring sacrifice  
made by members of law enforcement across the State; and

**WHEREAS,** By commemorating May 5, 2026, as Police Memorial Day in New  
York State, this Legislative Body honors those officers who have given  
their lives in the satisfaction of their duties, offers comfort to the  
family members and fellow officers left behind, and recognizes the loyal  
servitude by all police officers in New York State which permits us to  
thrive in a safe, free, and just society; and

**WHEREAS,** As an unending emblem of appreciation of the people of New  
York State, in 1989, this Legislative Body sanctioned the creation of a  
Police Memorial at the State Capitol, revering all police officers in  
New York State who have given their lives in the line of duty; now,  
therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body join in veneration with  
Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 5, 2026, as Police Memorial Day in  
New York State, certain that such course of action mirrors our  
collective dedication to maintain the fundamental nature of freedom  
which is our American heritage; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be  
transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New  
York, appropriate officers and members of the police community, and the  
loving survivors of the brave officers who have died in New York State.