

Assembly Resolution No. 1284

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim
May 2026, as Be Kind to Animals Month in the State
of New York

WHEREAS, Millions of animals across New York and throughout the United States are abused, abandoned and neglected; and

WHEREAS, Animal abuse and neglect result in unnecessary pain and suffering; it is imperative that we encourage empathy and compassion for animals; and

WHEREAS, Our efforts to promote environmental conservation, protect endangered species, prevent habitat destruction and global warming must be achieved; and

WHEREAS, Encouraging kindness to animals will promote humane treatment, respect for the role of animals in nature, and the need to control the overpopulation of animals, which leads to needless euthanasia and the suffering of animals; and

WHEREAS, A designated time period for the awareness of animal care and broader societal goals will serve as an educational tool to impart relevant knowledge in students and adults alike; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 2026, as Be Kind to Animals Month in the State of New York, and to encourage students and educational organizations statewide to participate in trainings, activities and other programming; 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.