

Assembly Resolution No. 1380

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim
May 2026, as Foster Care Month in the State of New
York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that the children
of today are the citizens and leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, It is the further sense of this Legislative Body that the
children of the State of New York are our most precious resource and
that, as such, they merit the support, encouragement and protection of
this State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and fully in accord with its
long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to
memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 2026, as Foster Care
Month in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of
National Foster Care Month; and

WHEREAS, The designation of the month of May as Foster Care Month is
illustrative of this Legislative Body's commitment to acknowledging
foster parents, family members, volunteers, mentors, policymakers, child
welfare professionals, and other members of the community who help
children and youth in foster care find permanent homes and connections;
and

WHEREAS, The proclamation of May as Foster Care Month also renews
the commitment to ensuring a bright future for the more than 400,000
children and youth in foster care; and

WHEREAS, Foster Care Month is set aside to promote opportunities and
contribute to lifting the quality of life of the youth of this noble
Empire State, while advancing that spirit of united purpose and shared
concern which is the unalterable manifestation of our American
experience; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to
memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 2026, as Foster Care
Month in the State of New York, recognizing the significance of the role
the children of New York State will play in shaping the future of our
State, our society, and our government; 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.