Assembly Resolution No. 991

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MEMORIALIZING Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 1, 2026, as School Principals' Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize official days that are set aside to highlight the men and women who lend their passion and skills to educating our children; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 1, 2026, as School Principals' Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with the observance of National School Principals' Day; and

WHEREAS, School Principals' Day was created to recognize the essential role principals play in making their schools outstanding; and

WHEREAS, Principals are among the hardest-working, yet often least-recognized, individuals in education; they set the academic tone for their schools, and it is their vision, dedication, and determination which provide the mobilizing force for achieving students' success; and

WHEREAS, School Principals' Day seeks to honor these unsung heroes for their tireless efforts in pursuit of excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, this vital day is a widely recognized celebration of the principalship, marked by National and State Resolutions which support the event, as well as acknowledgements from United States Senators and Representatives and top government officials; however, the most important National School Principals' Day celebrations are the ones which take place in schools and communities across the country; and

WHEREAS, Significant contributors to education in the State of New York, our principals continually demonstrate an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion, and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered at their schools for the benefit of faculty, students, and the entire community; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize the educators of the State of New York who work to open the minds of their students to new ideas, knowledge, and dreams; keep American democracy alive by laying the foundation for good citizenship; fill many roles such as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators, and mentors; and continue to influence their students long after the school days are only memories; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim May 1, 2026, as School Principals' Day 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.