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Senate Resolution No. 937

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Amleto Giarolo, beloved baseball coach, devoted family man, and distinguished member of his community

WHEREAS, There are certain outstanding members of our community who, through their selfless commitment and dedication, have served to better the quality of life in our community and have had a measurable positive impact on the lives of its residents; Amleto Giarolo was one such individual; and

WHEREAS, It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that this Legislative Body records the passing of Amleto Giarolo, noting the significance of his purposeful life and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Amleto "Mel" Giarolo of Croton, New York, died on Saturday, April 21, 2023, at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, Born to Leone and Chiara (Tumba) Giarolo on October 18, 1934, in Tarrytown, New York, Amleto Giarolo proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, With a sincere passion for the game of baseball, upon the completion of his military service, Amleto Giarolo played for the Lexington Indians, an Independent minor league baseball team in the Western Carolina League, where he honed his skills, finishing the 1960

season with a .307 batting average and an impressive .455 on-base percentage; and

WHEREAS, After his Minor League career, Amleto Giarolo attended Ithaca College under the GI Bill where he earned a degree in teaching; and

WHEREAS, Amleto Giarolo went on to spend the majority of his illustrious career teaching Physical Education in the Lakeland School District, where he again followed his love of baseball and began coaching the varsity team at Croton Harmon High School; and

WHEREAS, In this role, Amleto Giarolo led his team to a New York State Championship in 1981; he had a truly special relationship with his players, many of whom he remained close friends with for the rest of his life; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his love of baseball, Amleto Giarolo enjoyed traveling and spending time with his friends and family; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Croton, Amleto Giarolo was a fixture in the local community, and could often be found fishing or grabbing a coffee and a newspaper in the local stores; and

WHEREAS, Amleto Giarolo is survived by his fiance, Connie Corry; a sister, Amelia "May" Capitanio; three children, Christopher (Maureen), Jill (Sean), and John; two grandchildren, Francesca and Aaron; and

several nieces and nephews; he is predeceased by his wife Brenda and his brother Victor; and

WHEREAS, Amleto Giarolo's infinite selflessness and benevolence will

shine on through his family's vivid and happy memories; his insight and strength will forever serve as a beacon of love, light and hope to the countless lives he touched; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Amleto Giarolo leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all who were privileged to have known and loved such an amazing man; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death Amleto Giarolo, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Amleto Giarolo.