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Senate Resolution No. 1828

BY: Senator HARCKHAM

MOURNING the death of Ann Gallelli, distinguished citizen, public servant, and devoted member of her community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Ann Gallelli of Croton, New York, died on Sunday, February 11, 2024, at the age of 81; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Stanford University in 1964, Ann Gallelli distinguished herself in her profession and by her sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of her community; and

WHEREAS, Serving as deputy mayor for 10 fulfilling years, Ann Gallelli oversaw many projects in the community, including the Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan that stopped the Millennium Pipeline; acquisition of the property for Croton Landing and its transformation into a spectacular park; the guidelines for improving Croton's commercial gateways, including the recent Harmon rezoning that allows mixed use and promotes economic development; and securing federal funding for Croton Point Avenue improvements to upgrade the busiest road in the village; and

WHEREAS, Ann Gallelli had unparalleled knowledge and understanding of the Village of Croton, acquired through 21 years as village trustee, 15 years as chair of the Planning Board, six years as chair of the Comprehensive Plan Committee, and liaison to the Zoning Board, and Croton Seniors, among other committees; and

WHEREAS, As a Trustee, she brought together interested residents to form the Harmon Economic Development Committee, arranged for them to bring their recommendation to the village board, and ultimately see their recommendations be approved, truly making lasting, positive impacts on the community; and

WHEREAS, Ann Gallelli joined the Westchester Municipal Planning Federation (WMPF) Board in 2003 and served 10 years until 2013; she served a two-year term as president of the board from 2008-2010; she received the coveted President's Award from WMPF in 2013; and

WHEREAS, A supporter of numerous philanthropic and community initiatives, Ann Gallelli served on the Board of the Croton-Harmon Education Foundation; she was also recently awarded an honorary life membership by the Croton EMS; and

WHEREAS, Ann Gallelli's commitment to excellence, and her spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, She is survived by her beloved husband, John, and cherished children, John Jr. and Carla; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Ann Gallelli leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all she

served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Ann Gallelli, distinguished citizen, public servant, and devoted member of her community; and be it further

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