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Senate Resolution No. 4522

BY: Senator JACOBS

COMMENDING the Parkside Community Association upon the occasion of hosting its 20th Annual Tour of Homes on May 20, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those organizations and individuals who seek to bring recognition to historical places within the State of New York, and in doing so, help to ensure that the complete history of our State and Nation is preserved and shared with present generations of citizens; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Parkside Community Association upon the occasion of hosting its 20th Annual Tour of Homes on Sunday, May 20, 2018; and

WHEREAS, This year's tour features an exclusive Frank Lloyd Wright Home on the Darwin Martin Complex, the former homes of both Hens and Kelly of the department stores, the home featured in the film "Best Friends," and the home in the recent feature movie "Marshall"; these magnificent homes tell the story of Buffalo and highlight its resurgence; and

WHEREAS, The Parkside Community Association is the oldest, largest and most active neighborhood association in the City of Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, Landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted designed Buffalo's first suburb, Parkside, a neighborhood inseparable from Delaware Park; and

WHEREAS, The area quickly drew the rich and professionals from the city; over the next 40 years, the development of Parkside was gradually and methodically completed; and

WHEREAS, The Parkside area of Buffalo contains superb examples of diverse architectural styles such as the American Four Square, Victorian, Colonial Revival, Craftsman, and the Arts and Craft Bungalow; the 1880 through 1930 building period includes designs by prominent local architects E.B. Green and William Sydney Wicks; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, the entire neighborhood of Parkside became an Architectural Landscape District on the National Register of Historic Places; today, through the efforts of the Parkside Community Association and Parkside residents, the neighborhood (now a part of the City of Buffalo) is unmatched for its stable blend of social, safety, and affordability factors; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is pleased to have this opportunity to express its highest admiration for the Parkside Community Association, and for all of the individuals who have worked to bring proper attention to a place and time which merits recognition in the grand panorama of the history of our State and Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Parkside Community Association upon the occasion of hosting its 20th Annual Tour of Homes on May 20, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Parkside Community Association.