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Senate Resolution No. 5769

BY: Senator KENNEDY

MOURNING the death of Timothy J. Bohlen, dedicated citizen and devoted member of his 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 the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Timothy J. Bohlen, a United States Postal Service executive, passed away of Saturday, May 26, 2018, at the age of 69; and

WHEREAS, A South Buffalo native, Timothy J. Bohlen graduated from both Canisius High School and Canisius College; he went on to earn a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, He then joined the U.S. Postal Service, where he held various management positions throughout Western New York after a few years of delivering mail; he was transferred to the postal headquarters in Washington in 1977, where he held the position of systems analyst; and

WHEREAS, Timothy J. Bohlen was later promoted to information center manager, which allowed him to travel the country and train managers on

how to integrate computer systems into their postal systems; in 1985, he and his family moved to East Aurora so he could serve as the postmaster; he moved to Boston shortly thereafter, where he worked as the Postal Service director of marketing; and

WHEREAS, While in Boston, Timothy J. Bohlen oversaw the rollout of the priority mail campaign, which was later implemented on a national level; he returned to Western New York as a postal operations manager, where he supervised large post offices from Niagara Falls to Ithaca; and

WHEREAS, Timothy J. Bohlen created a program called "Rewarding Performance" aimed at training postal managers to value their employees; this was one of his proudest professional accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Timothy J. Bohlen distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Timothy J. Bohlen is survived by his sons, Tim and Brian Bohlen; his wife, the former Donna McIntyre; another son, Brian; a daughter, Kate Maldonado; a brother, Patrick; seven sisters, Susan Curran, Sheila Cannon, Catherine Comerford, Colleen Bohlen, Maureen Fahey, Jeanne Simard and Mollie Walsh; and four grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Timothy J. Bohlen leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Timothy J. Bohlen, dedicated citizen and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Timothy J. Bohlen.