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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Anthony DeTomaso, distinguished 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, Anthony DeTomaso of Auburn, New York died on Friday, February 11, 2011, at the age of 86; and

WHEREAS, A United States Army Veteran of World War II and a member of the 299th Combat Engineers, Anthony DeTomaso's battalion was in the first wave that landed on the beaches of Normandy during the D-Day invasion of Europe; he was instrumental in perpetuating the memory of that heroic operation by organizing a reunion of the 299th on the 6th of June, for the past several years; and

WHEREAS, Anthony DeTomaso distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, After his retirement from the Columbian Rope Company, Anthony
DeTomaso was employed at Dunn and McCarthy Shoe Company and Mercy Rehabilitation Center; and

WHEREAS, Anthony DeTomaso's commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, A lifetime resident of Auburn, Anthony DeTomaso was a communicant of St. Francis Church where he volunteered for many of the church activities; he was a member of the Carnicelli-Indelicato Post 1776 of the American Legion, St. Francis Church Sports Hall of Fame, an avid bowler and a member of the 700 Club, and was recognized as the Military

Man of the Year by the Italian Heritage Society; and WHEREAS, Predeceased by his loving wife, Elizabeth DeTomaso, his parents, Domenic and Maria Nanna DeTomaso, and brother, William DeTomaso; Anthony DeTomaso is survived by four sons, Domenic (Joanne), William (Judy), Anthony (Pamela), and Edward (Melody); one daughter, Laura Cushing; one brother, Angelo (Barbara); and nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren as well as several nieces and nephews; and WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Anthony DeTomaso 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 Anthony DeTomaso, distinguished 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 Anthony DeTomaso.