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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Frank E. Mock posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Honor-A-Veteran Committee on Monday, February 3, 2014

WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Services from the State of New York, who have served so valiantly and honorably in wars in which this country's freedom was at stake, as well as in the preservation of peace in peacetime, deserve a special salute from this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and sacrifices of our military personnel ensure our continued role as a Nation which embodies the ideals of democracy, and is a defender of liberty for peoples throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Frank E. Mock posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Honor-A-Veteran Committee on Monday, February 3, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Frank E. Mock served his country valiantly and heroically in World War II and the people of this nation owe their freedom and security to the men and women of the Armed Forces who have defended this country during times of conflict; and

WHEREAS, Frank E. Mock was born on March 18, 1925, in Albany, New York, and spent most of his life in Albany County; and

WHEREAS, On February 4, 1943, Frank E. Mock joined the United States Navy and became a fuse setter on the largest gun of the USS Chauncey DD-667; and

WHEREAS, During his time in the service, Frank E. Mock participated in operations off Wake, Guam, Saipan, Tinian, Leyte, Majuro, Wotje, Kwajalein, and Okinawa; and

WHEREAS, Frank E. Mock was the recipient of numerous awards and medals in recognition of his outstanding service, including: the American Campaign Medal, the WWII Victory Medal and the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal; and

WHEREAS, This brave soldier was honorably discharged from the Navy on January 22, 1946, and became a dedicated member of the American Legion and Our Lady of Mercy Church; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage with which these men and women served their country, and must recognize that no greater debt is owed than that owed to those who gave their lives for their beloved Nation and to those who continue to be missing in action; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited their patriotism both at home and abroad, these men and women demonstrated their love for their country and merit forevermore, the highest respect of their State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, Our Nation's veterans deserve to be recognized, commended and thanked by the people of the State of New York for their service and for their dedication to their communities, their State and their Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Frank E. Mock posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Honor-A-Veteran Committee on Monday, February 3, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Frank E. Mock.