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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Roy F. Van Amburgh posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Albany County Honor-A-Veteran Committee

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 Roy F. Van Amburgh posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Albany County Honor-A-Veteran Committee on Monday, November 4, 2013, at North Albany Post No. 1610; and

WHEREAS, The Albany County Honor-A-Veteran Committee was formed to honor a deceased Albany County veteran who served his country in time of conflict; and

WHEREAS, Roy F. Van Amburgh served his country valiantly and heroically in World War II; 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, Roy F. Van Amburgh was born on February 5, 1924, in Albany, New York, and resided in Albany County his entire life; and

WHEREAS, On December 7, 1942, Roy F. Van Amburgh enlisted in the United States Navy where he rose to the rank of Motor Machinist's Mate; he also served on numerous vessels, including the USNAATSB Forwy-Corn-

wall Via 476 and NTSch-Lafayette, Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of the war, Roy F. Van Amburgh returned and began working for Henzel Electric Company; in addition, he was employed as an Electrical Inspector for the City of Albany; and

WHEREAS, Roy F. Van Amburgh became an active community member with the North Albany Little League, and was also a founding member of the North Albany American Legion Post No. 1610; furthermore, he served as an Albany County Legislator for more than two decades; and

WHEREAS, Together, Roy F. Van Amburgh and his wife, Evelyn, had three children, Bob, Karen and Mary; and six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; 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 Roy F. Van Amburgh posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Albany County Honor-A-Veteran Committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Roy F. Van Amburgh.