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Legion Day; and

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION memorializing Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim September 16, 2014, as The American Legion Day in the State of New York

WHEREAS, The American Legion is a veterans' service organization which draws its membership from the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States during a period of Congressionally recognized war or armed conflict; and

WHEREAS, One of the fundamental aims of the American Legion was to create a fraternity based upon firm comradeship, born of war service, and dedicated to equitable treatment for all veterans, particularly the suffering and disabled, their widows and children; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim September 16, 2014, as The American Legion Day in the State of New York, in conjunction with National American

WHEREAS, In 1919, the United States Congress presented the American Legion with its Federal charter; Congress marked the occasion of their 90th Anniversary as it proclaimed September 16th, 2009, "The American Legion Day"; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion works to preserve and maintain law and order, foster and perpetuate a strong sense of national pride, and instill a sense of individual obligation to the community, guided by the four pillars of Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children and Youth; 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 memorialize Governor Andrew M. Cuomo to proclaim September 16, 2014, as The American Legion Day in the State of New York; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York.