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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the West Point Society of New York upon the occasion of holding its 100th Anniversary Founders Day Dinner, on March 28, 2014

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the West Point Society of New York upon the occasion of holding its 100th Anniversary Founders Day Dinner and Silent Auction on Friday, March 28, 2014, at the Union League Club in Manhattan, New York; and WHEREAS, The West Point Society of New York is one of the oldest and most active societies in the country; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of this venerable association is to provide an organization through which graduates, former cadets and other persons interested in fostering the principles and welfare of the United States Military Academy can maintain and enhance their comradeship, while simultaneously affording themselves the opportunity to gain insight into the important events of today and the anticipated developments of tomorrow with special emphasis on military and national affairs; and WHEREAS, In March of 1914, the first formally recognized Founders Day Dinner was held in New York City at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel; one hundred years later, the tradition continues as the West Point Society of New York gathers to honor the Academy and the Long Gray Line; and WHEREAS, This auspicious centennial event will feature Keynote Speaker Brigadier General Richard D. Clarke, United States Military Academy

Class of '84, 74th Commandant, United States Corps of Cadets; and WHEREAS, This occasion presents an opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to the West Point Society of New York; and

WHEREAS, In so effectively carrying out its mission, the West Point Society of New York has demonstrated the value of supporting the United States Military Academy, and its fine graduates, the proud men and women who dedicate themselves to the service and protection of this great State and nation; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the West Point Society of New York upon the occasion of holding its 100th Anniversary Founders Day Dinner; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to the West Point Society of New York.