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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Harold H. Greenstein posthumously upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Harold H.

Greenstein posthumously upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate to be celebrated on Monday, May 5, 2014, at the Albany County Honor A Veteran Ceremony at the American Legion Joseph E. Zaloga Post No. 1520 in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by a resolution in 2014 and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, Born October 10, 1924, in New Britain, Connecticut, Harold H. Greenstein served his country as a member of the United States Navy from 1944 to 1946; during his service, he was a Weather Forecaster, and served in Pearl Harbor; and

WHEREAS, Harold H. Greenstein's exceptional service earned him the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon, American Theatre Ribbon, Victory Ribbon, and the Millennium Military Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Upon his return from the military, Harold H. Greenstein worked as a wholesale wine and liquor distributor; and WHEREAS, Active in his community, Harold H. Greenstein was a member of the Jewish War Veterans and the American Legion, and served as 14th Ward Alderman for the City of Albany; in addition, he was a member of the 1st elected school board of the City of Albany, and Albany Common Council for 20 years, as well as Chairman of City of Albany Civil Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, Harold H. Greenstein died on May 25, 2013, at the age of 89; he is survived by his daughter, Nancy, who feels privileged to have been a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and WHEREAS, Individuals such as Harold H. Greenstein, devoted to improving the quality of life for others, enabling them to build lives of dignity and self-worth, are deserving of the highest praise and recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Harold H. Greenstein posthumously upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Harold H. Greenstein.