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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of Edward P. Flanagan, Sr., distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. of New Windsor, New York, died on May 20, 2014, at the age of 99; and

WHEREAS, The son of the late John and Nora (Barclay) Flanagan, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. was born on November 17, 1914, in Hoboken, New Jersey, and was a graduate of Haaren High School in 1931; he married Dorothy "Dot" Donohue on December 1, 1940, in the Bronx; and

WHEREAS, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known to many as "Pop", Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. was a heavy equipment operator for Local 825 in Middletown, New York, until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. faithfully and honorably served his country in the United States Army during the Second World War; he was stationed overseas and earned the Asiatic-Pacific Medal, the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal; he was honorably discharged in January of 1946; and

WHEREAS, The true definition of an upstanding citizen, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. belonged to and led many organizations in and around New Windsor; he was a life member and past commander of the VFW Post 4732, life member and past commander of The American Legion Post 1796, and

life member and past commander of the Disabled American Veterans of New Windsor; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he was politically active in New Windsor and Orange County for many years, and was on the Zoning Board of Appeal of New Windsor for 5 years; he was also a life member of the Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Lourdes Council No. 5890 in Washingtonville, as well as an usher for many years at Sacred Heart Parish in Newburgh; and WHEREAS, In addition to his parents and his wife, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. was predeceased by his siblings: Peter, Vincent and John Flanagan, Mary Miller, Catherine Hansen, Dot Brady and Frances Flanagan; he is survived by his loving children, Edward (Jane) and Marian (Tom); his grandchildren, Wayne (Lauren), Ed (Amy), Michelle and Susan; his great-grandchildren, Taylor, Lainey, Nikki and Jennifer, as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins; and

WHEREAS, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr.'s commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity, carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit, imbued with a sense of compassion, and comforted by a loving family, Edward P. Flanagan, Sr. leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Edward P. Flanagan, Sr., distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Edward P. Flanagan, Sr.