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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joseph A. Marino 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 Joseph A. Marino 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, which was celebrated on Monday, June 2, 2014, at the Albany County Honor A Veteran Ceremony at the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post No. 1040 of the American Legion in Delmar, 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, Joseph A. Marino passed away on November 5, 2010, at the age of 86; and

WHEREAS, Born on August 21, 1924, Joseph A. Marino served his country as a member of the United States Army Air Corps from April of 1943 to February of 1946; and

WHEREAS, During his military service as an Airplane Crew Chief, Joseph A. Marino performed inspection, maintenance adjustment, and minor

repairs on a C-47 aircraft, and worked on such parts as instruments, landing gear, hydraulic and electrical systems on the surfaces; in addition, he warmed up engines and taxied planes; and

WHEREAS, Ranked as a Corporal, Joseph A. Marino participated in several battles and campaigns including Ardennes, Central Europe, and Rhineland; and

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Marino was the recipient of numerous medals and accolades for his exceptional military service including the Victory Medal, Good Conduct Medal, American Service Medal, and the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, After he was honorably discharged, Joseph A. Marino was Proprietor of Veteran's Market, Furnace Operator at Titanium Metal Corp., and worked for Albany Public Market, Saveway Markets, Food Fair Store, and the Audit Department of New York State Department of Audit and Control; and

WHEREAS, An active citizen in his community, Joseph A. Marino was past commander and bingo caller at Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post No. 1040 of the American Legion, and chairman of the Memorial Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Marino is survived by his wife, Rose, and their four children, Diane, Carol, Lynne, and Tom, as well as four grandchildren, Megan, Bryan, Sarah, and Matt, all of whom feel privileged to have been a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Today, the bravery and willingness of Joseph A. Marino to fight for the lives of his fellow human beings, continues to inspire, and is deserving of the highest honor by all defenders of freedom; and

WHEREAS, Individuals such as Joseph A. Marino 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 Joseph A. Marino 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 Joseph A. Marino.