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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Charles W. Straub posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony on April 13, 2015

WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Services from the State of New York, who have served so valiantly and honorably in wars in which this country's freedom was at stake, as well as in the preservation of peace in peacetime, deserve a special salute; and WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend these who have served in times of active conflict, as well as those who have served in times of peace; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Charles W. Straub posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony on Monday, April 13, 2015; and WHEREAS, For his courageous and dedicated service to his country, Charles W. Straub will be recognized at this year's April Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony; and WHEREAS, Born August 1, 1954, to Mary VanWie and Charles K. Straub, Charles W. Straub graduated from Troy High School; he married his high school sweetheart, Theresa A. Jubic, on October 2, 1987, at St. Williams Church; and WHEREAS, Charles W. Straub, affectionately known as Bill, valiantly served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1973 to 1976 in Germany, during which time he earned a National Defense Service Medal; and WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his military service, Charles W.

Straub worked as a Production Controller at the Watervliet Arsenal where

he retired on August 1, 2009, after 34 years of distinguished service; he also worked part-time at Enterprise as a professional driver; and WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Troy, New York, Charles W. Straub was a member of both the American Legion Post 1450 in Halfmoon and the Lansingburgh Veteran Club; and

WHEREAS, A devoted and loving husband who enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, Charles W. Straub died on Tuesday, December 3, 2013, at the age of 59; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage with which these men and women served their country, and must recognize that no greater debt is owed than that owed to those who gave their lives for their beloved Nation and to those who continue to be missing in action; 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 honor Charles W. Straub posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor-A-Veteran Ceremony on April 13, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Charles W. Straub.