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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Village of Waterloo, New York, as the Federally-designated birthplace of Memorial Day

WHEREAS, In the course of the evolving development of this Empire State, certain communities have endured and exist today as evidence of the proud heritage of this State and Nation; and WHEREAS, Established in 1864, the Village of Waterloo has a particularly vibrant heritage and holds claim to a number of historically significant events in the progression of this State and Nation; and WHEREAS, Most notably, the Village of Waterloo is proud to have Federal designation as the birthplace of Memorial Day; and WHEREAS, This National Holiday, celebrated the last Monday during the month of May, was first observed over one hundred years ago in Waterloo, New York: and WHEREAS, Each Memorial Day our Nation remembers those veterans who served in our Armed Forces with a special remembrance to those who made the ultimate sacrifice; and WHEREAS, In remembering our deceased veterans, we recall their courage and patriotism which, throughout more than 200 years of the existence of the United States, have served to preserve our most precious freedoms; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Village of Waterloo, New York, as the Federally-designated birthplace of Memorial Day; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted for public display in the Village of Waterloo, New York.