

## 2015-J2135

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Village of South Floral Park upon the occasion of hosting its 25th Annual Armed Forces Day Ceremony on May 16, 2015

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to pay the highest tribute to the members of the United States Armed Forces who so faithfully serve their community and country with contributing to the safety and welfare of others and the preservation of the freedoms and democratic principles upon which this State and Nation are founded; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and sacrifices of our military personnel ensure our continued role as a Nation which embodies the ideals of democracy, and which is a defender of liberty for people throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the Village of South Floral Park upon the occasion of hosting its 25th Annual Armed Forces Day Ceremony on Saturday, May 16, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The 2015 Village of South Floral Park Armed Forces Day Ceremony will feature speeches by Mayor Geoffrey N. Prime, as well as numerous community leaders and veterans, including Keynote Speaker Scott Castillo, Deputy Director of the Nassau County Veterans Services Agency; and

WHEREAS, In addition, South Floral Park village officials, Civic Association members, and the South Floral Park Volunteer Fire Department will also be present among all the residents and invited guests; and

WHEREAS, For the past 25 years, the Incorporated Village of South Floral Park has proudly honored members of the United States Armed Forces, and acknowledging these men and women who courageously dedicate their lives to protecting our freedom; and

WHEREAS, The banner of freedom will always wave over our beloved New York and all of America, the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage with which our men and women in uniform serve 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, The freedoms and security we cherish as Americans come at a very high price for those serving in the military in times of conflict; it is fitting and proper that we who are the beneficiaries of those who risk their lives, leaving their families behind, express our appreciation and eternal gratitude for their sacrifices and courageous acts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend the Village of South Floral Park upon the occasion of hosting its 25th Annual Armed Forces Day Ceremony on May 16, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Geoffrey N. Prime, Mayor, Village of South Floral Park, and the Village of South Floral Park Armed Forces Day Committee.