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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Michael Padelsky posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Veterans Day Breakfast on November 9, 2014

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 those 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 long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Michael Padelsky posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Veterans Day Breakfast on November 9, 2014, at the Veterans of Lansingburgh; and WHEREAS, For his courageous and dedicated service to his country, Michael Padelsky was recognized at the 2014 Veterans Day Breakfast; and WHEREAS, Michael Padelsky served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War; he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with 1 Bronze Service Star, and the Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, Michael Padelsky was also honored with several foreign awards including the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with 1960 Device, the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation, Gallantry Cross with Palm and Frame Ribbon Bar, and the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation, Civil Action Color with Palm and Frame Ribbon Bar; 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 Michael Padelsky posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Veterans Day Breakfast on November 9, 2014; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Michael Padelsky.