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Senator Farley Notes Monday Is Veterans Day

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State Senator Hugh T. Farley (R, C, I - Schenectady) reminds constituents that Monday, November 11th, is Veterans Day.

"Veterans Day essentially dates back to November 11, 1919. On that day, our nation first observed Armistice Day. This holiday sought to remember and celebrate the end of World War I, which occurred in 1918 on the eleventh day of the eleventh month on the eleventh hour. That is why many people observe a moment of silence at 11 a.m. In 1954, Armistice Day was re-designated as Veterans Day to honor and remember the sacrifices of all the men and

women who have served our country in the military," Senator Farley said.

"We all know and appreciate our veterans for keeping our country safe and free," Senator Farley said, "but do we ever take the time to tell them? These holidays are an especially appropriate time to shake the hand of a veteran and say 'thank you' -- that all of the sacrifices were worth it. Also remember to thank our current military personnel for their service to our country."

"We shouldn't wait until our veterans are gone to treasure them. These veterans are living history and we can learn so much from them. They sacrificed so much. Their honorable service to their country during World War II and in other foreign conflicts was courageous because they left their comfortable surroundings and helped to not only protect our nation, but other nations in the fight for freedom," Senator Farley said.