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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending United States Army Specialist Nicole Digregorio upon the occasion of returning home from her tour of duty in Iraq and Kuwait on July 2, 2016

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 from this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to recognize those who have served in times of active conflict, as well as those who have served in times of peace; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend United States Army Specialist Nicole Digregorio upon the occasion of returning home from her tour of duty in Iraq and Kuwait; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at a Welcome Home Breakfast held on Saturday, July 2, 2016, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Massapequa Park, New York; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Nicole Digregorio has proudly served her country as a member of the United States Army's 10th Mountain Division, and is a veteran of Operation Enduring Freedom in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and sacrifices of military personnel like Specialist Nicole Digregorio ensure our continued role as a Nation which embodies the ideals of democracy, and as a defender of liberty for peoples throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage with which the men and women of the armed forces 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, Having exhibited her patriotism both at home and abroad, this

esteemed soldier has demonstrated her love for her country and merits forevermore, the highest respect of their State and Nation; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved with great respect and reverent esteem, and, on behalf of all of the citizens of the Empire State, to renew its tribute to the men and women of New York State who so courageously serve their State and Nation in the defense of freedom and democracy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend United States Army Specialist Nicole Digregorio upon the occasion of returning home from her tour of duty in Iraq and Kuwait; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to United States Army Specialist Nicole Digregorio.