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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring John Dulisse upon the occasion of his induction into the New York State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame Class of 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing tradition, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor John Dulisse upon the occasion of his induction into the New York State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame Class of 2016; and WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame inductees are members of any branch of the United States Armed Forces which includes the Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Air Force, and Marine Corps; these exceptional men and women are chosen for this prestigious honor based on either service in combat or notable work performed after discharge from the service; and

WHEREAS, John Dulisse proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1970 to 1972, retiring as Specialist 4th Class; and

WHEREAS, A graduate of Rockland Community College with a degree in Electronics Technology, John Dulisse served an apprenticeship with IBEW Local Union 303, before starting his career at Tikvah Electric in Pearl River, New York; and

WHEREAS, John Dulisse has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless veterans causes and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Since 2006, this esteemed veteran has graciously served as

Post Commander of the American Legion Post No. 794 in Nanuet, New York; he has also served in such vital past roles as Treasurer, Adjutant and Vice Commander; and

WHEREAS, A long time active member of the Rockland County Veterans Coordinating Council, John Dulisse has been an integral part of its many programs and special events, including the Frederick Loescher Veterans Cemetery Bench program; currently, he serves as Treasurer of the organization; and

WHEREAS, In addition, John Dulisse has been a dedicated member of the Vietnam Veterans of America-Chapter 333 of Rockland County since 2007, where he holds the position of 1st Vice Commander and sits on the Executive Board of Directors; he also participates in monthly visits to the Veterans Nursing Home in Montrose, New York, and happily fulfills such roles, as Chairman of the Annual Pig Roast; and WHEREAS, Furthermore, John Dulisse is a founding member of the Rockland Community College Student Veterans Committee where he has taken a lead role in sharing his experience as an alumnus to aid and mentor student veterans in their transition to the college environment; and WHEREAS, A noted guest speaker, John Dulisse has given talks on the significance of being an American and the importance of serving one's country at many local organizations throughout the community including the Boy Scouts, Eagle Scouts, and Civil Air Patrol Cadets; 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, The freedoms and security we cherish as Americans comes 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, must never forget the courage with which these men and women served their country; 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 John Dulisse upon the occasion of his induction into the New York State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame Class of 2016; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Dulisse.