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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Anthony Rossello upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, From time to time this Legislative Body takes note of certain extraordinary individuals it wishes to recognize for their valued contributions to the success and progress of society and publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Anthony Rossello upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate, to be celebrated at the Rensselaer Honor A Veteran Ceremony; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Rossello was one of three children born to Mary and Santo Rossello in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, In 1948, Anthony Rossello enlisted in the United States Marine Corps; one year later, he was in inactive reserve, however, he was called up to active duty within eight months and proudly served his country for two and one-half years of active duty; and

WHEREAS, After his discharge in April of 1952, Anthony Rossello returned to the United States, and lived in East Greenbush, New York,

working at Getty Oil for many years before his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community in which he lives, Anthony Rossello has volunteered his time and energy to both the Little League and Babe Ruth baseball programs and has served as a Fireman; in addition, he is a vital member of the Melvin Roads American Legion; and

WHEREAS, In his much deserved retirement, Anthony Rossello enjoys spending time with his beloved family and loves to spend time on the water fishing; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of 60 years, the former Joan Russell; his four children, Anthony, Jr., Lynn, Paul and Joanne; and his eight grandchildren, as well as one great-grandchild, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited his patriotism both at home and abroad, Anthony Rossello demonstrated his love for his country and merits forevermore the highest respect of his 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 Anthony Rossello upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Anthony Rossello.