

## 2017-J1291

Senate Resolution No. 1291

BY: Senator LARKIN

COMMENDING Richard Walls upon the occasion of being named the West Point Volunteer of the Quarter on March 2, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to call attention to the dedicated efforts of those individuals from across the State of New York who volunteer their time and energies in service to the community; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism is an essential element of all societies; it provides a way in which the human values of community, caring and serving can be sustained and strengthened; and

WHEREAS, Volunteerism also promotes family and community solidarity; most importantly, people who volunteer their time in civic and charitable endeavors inspire others to the call of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Richard Walls upon the occasion of being named the West Point Volunteer of the Quarter, celebrated at a ceremony on Thursday, March 2, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Richard Walls received this prestigious award for his steadfast support of the Better Opportunities of Single Soldiers (BOSS) Program at West Point; and

WHEREAS, Richard Walls has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, For the past 10 years, Richard Walls has served as an Army Community Service volunteer supporting family programs; in addition, he holds the position of Senior Activity Leader for the Woodbury Senior Center; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Richard Walls has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Richard Walls has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Richard Walls upon the occasion of being named the West Point Volunteer of the Quarter on March 2, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Richard Walls.