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Assembly Resolution No. 429

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HONORING Edward Hallisey upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 9, 2017

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Edward Hallisey upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Older New Yorkers Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in the Egg, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the

WHEREAS, Edward Hallisey proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy for eight years patrolling the coast of Nova Scotia to the Caribbean Islands for enemy submarines; and

WHEREAS, Upon his discharge, Edward Hallisey worked throughout Brewster, New York, and Danbury, Connecticut, as a civil engineer; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man 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, Dedicated to his community, Edward Hallisey has been a lifelong member of the Lake Carmel Fire Department and currently holds a position on the Lake Carmel Fire Police; in addition, he is a participant of the Putnam County Fire Police Response Team and the RSVP Volunteer Medical Transportation Program; and

WHEREAS, For the past five years, Edward Hallisey has been a volunteer member of the Friends of the Senior Citizens of Putnam County Board; in this capacity, he attends monthly meetings and participates in fundraising events to help supplement funds for the Office for Senior Resources; and

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

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife of over 50 years, Fran, their four children and their seven grandchildren, who have all shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

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

WHEREAS, Edward Hallisey, a very active and industrious man, has inspired and enriched the lives of those he serves through his volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Edward Hallisey upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 9, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Edward Hallisey.