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Senate Resolution No. 4718

BY: Senator LARKIN

HONORING Alan Seidman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 24th Annual Ottaway Medal by the Orange County Citizens Foundation

WHEREAS, Individuals who give of their time and energies and serve the best interests of their communities are an asset beyond remuneration and cannot be sufficiently extolled; and

WHEREAS, Alan Seidman has given not only of his time and energies but also of his competence, intelligence and leadership and consequently has been designated for special honor; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Alan Seidman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 24th Annual Ottaway Medal by the Orange County Citizens Foundation, to be celebrated on Thursday, May 3, 2018, at Anthony's Pier 9, New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Orange County Citizens Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of Orange County residents through public policy and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, The Ottaway Medal is given each year to an individual who has contributed significantly to improving the quality of life in Orange

County; and

WHEREAS, Alan Seidman truly personifies all that the Ottaway Medal represents; he is a life-long resident of Cornwall, an exceptional businessman, and a truly engaged community member; and

WHEREAS, Currently Executive Director of the Construction Contractors Association, Alan Seidman served as Chair of the Orange County Legislature for several years, helping to establish a countywide 911 facility and response system and facilitating plans for expanding SUNY Orange in Newburgh; and

WHEREAS, Serving on the boards of vital, local organizations such as Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress, the Orange County Partnership, Kol Yisrael, Temple Beth Jacob, and the Highland Engine Company, Alan Seidman has made a long-lasting impact on the greater Orange County community; and

WHEREAS, Alan Seidman is steadfastly committed to supporting our nation's veterans through his service on the board of the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor, Inc.; he also organizes a military appreciation event every three years, where thousands of men and women in the military are recognized for their service; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being active in his community, Alan Seidman has utilized his expertise in small business ownership and dedicated his time to help foster a strong and resilient economy in Orange County; he was a member of the Cornwall Planning Board for 10 years, and currently serves as the Chairman of the Foreign Trade Zone Board; and

WHEREAS, The proud recipient of numerous awards and accolades, Alan

Seidman has been recognized twice by the Boy Scouts of America Hudson Valley Chapter as a Distinguished Citizen; and

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

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to Alan Seidman, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Alan Seidman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 24th Annual Ottaway Medal by the Orange County Citizens Foundation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alan Seidman.