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## Senator Larkin Announces Bill Signing To Designate Bear Mountain Bridge As “The Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge”

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Senator Bill Larkin (R-C-I, 39<sup>th</sup> District) announced today that Governor Cuomo signed legislation designating “The Bear Mountain Bridge” as “The Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge”.

“Senator Larkin and Assemblywoman Galef’s efforts to honor us as Purple Heart recipients is tremendously appreciated,” said William Nazario, New York State Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. This team effort has now been cemented with Governor Cuomo’s signature and we appreciate his commitment to our veterans. For years, we have been fighting to see this dream become a reality. With countless vehicles traveling every day over The Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge I believe we will be appropriately honoring our combat-wounded brothers and sisters of purple.”

“I thank Governor Cuomo for signing this legislation and for allowing us to honor the nearly 2 million Purple Heart recipients across our great nation,” said Senator Bill Larkin. “It is imperative that we never lose sight of the sacrifice they and their families have made for our state and our country. The Hudson Valley is rich with military history. It is the home of West Point, it is the home of the National Purple Heart Hall of Honor and now, with the

signing of this legislation, we can call it home to The Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge.”

The Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge is a toll suspension bridge in New York State, carrying US 6/US 202 across the Hudson River between Rockland/Orange Counties and Westchester/Putnam Counties.

The span enables connections to the Palisades Interstate Parkway and US 9W on the west bank near Bear Mountain Inn to New York State Route 9D (NY 9D) on the east. It also carries the Appalachian Trail and New York State Bicycle Route 9 across the Hudson drawing countless visitors and commuters daily.