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Senate Resolution No. 58

BY: Senator BRESLIN

COMMENDING Armand J. Marion posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Honor A Veteran Ceremony on December 3, 2018

WHEREAS, Members of the Armed Services from the State of New York, who have served so valiantly and honorably in wars in which this country's freedom was at stake, as well as in the preservation of peace in peace-time, deserve a special salute; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Armand J. Marion posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Honor A Veteran Ceremony on Monday, December 3, 2018, at the American Legion Joseph E. Zaloga Post No. 1520, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, In June of 1993, a committee was formed by the Albany County Veterans Bureau, known as the Albany County Honor A Veteran Committee, created to honor a deceased Albany County veteran who served his country in time of conflict; the Honor A Veteran Program takes place on the first Monday of each month; and

WHEREAS, For his courageous and dedicated service to his country, Armand J. Marion will be recognized posthumously at this year's December

Honor A Veteran Ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Armand J. Marion was born on December 2, 1918, in St. Mathieu De La Prairie, Quebec, Canada; and

WHEREAS, On September 3, 1943, Armand J. Marion enlisted in the United States Navy, proudly serving his country as a MM1 aboard the USS Barr during World War II in both the Atlantic Ocean and the Pacific Ocean; and

WHEREAS, For his bravery, Armand J. Marion was awarded the American Area Ribbon, the Asiatic Pacific Bar with 3 bronze stars, the European-African Bar with 1 bronze star, and the World War II Victory Medal; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his military service on December 12, 1945, Armand J. Marion returned to the Capital District where he worked for 40 years at the General Electric Company as a machinist in the Industrial Control Division, and Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory as a toolmaker with Q level clearance; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Armand J. Marion was the Assistant Leader and Treasurer of Boy Scouts of America Troop 70; for his time and energies, he received the Order of the Arrow Award and the St. George Award; he was also a neighborhood representative for the Town of Colonie, and a regular fixture at town planning board meetings; and

WHEREAS, The husband of Lucille Marion, Armand J. Marion died on October 23, 2015, in Latham, New York, at the age of 96; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage

with which these men and women served their country, and must recognize that no greater debt is owed than that owed to those who gave their lives for their beloved Nation and to those who continue to be missing in action; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited his patriotism both at home and abroad, Armand J. Marion 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 Country; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Armand J. Marion posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Honor A Veteran Ceremony on December 3, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Armand J. Marion.