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## Senator Brooks Honored by the New York State Council of Veterans Organizations

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Senator John E. Brooks (SD-8) was honored today by the New York State Council of Veterans' Organizations (NYSCVO) at the State Capitol for his long-standing work and tireless advocacy on behalf of veterans and their families. Chairman of the Senate Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security, and Military Affairs, Senator Brooks is himself a veteran and considers his duty to veterans issues and military affairs a sacred trust.

“The New York State Council of Veterans Organizations is grateful for Senator Brooks’ leadership in sponsoring the budget appropriations for the Joseph P. Dwyer Peer-to-Peer Mentoring Program, Veterans of Foreign War Veteran Services Officers (VSOs), and the New York State Defenders Association’s Veterans Defense Program (VDP),” says Thomas DeMeo, President NYS Council of Veterans Organizations. “We salute you for your great work on behalf of veterans. Thanks to you, thousands of veterans will receive substantial assistance, peer-to-peer mentoring, consultations, and expert referrals.”

“It is a great honor to be recognized by these organizations of people who live and work in service to others but let’s make no mistake, the real heroes are the men and women of this country who have chosen to put on a uniform in defense of our great nation,” Says Senator Brooks. “They and those who dedicate their lives to support them in their hour of need deserve our recognition.”

NYSCVO Member Organizations include: American Merchant Marine veterans; American Military Retirees Association; American Ex-Prisoners of War; Atomic Veterans Association; AMVETS; Black veterans for social Justice; Blinded veterans Association; Catholic War veterans; Combat Infantrymen’s Association; Council 82 AFSCME AFL-CIO Vets. Committee; CSEA Veterans; Disabled American veterans; Eastern Paralyzed veterans Association; Fleet Reserves Association; Jewish War Veterans; Korean War veterans; Marine Corps League; Military Order of the Purple Heart; Non-Commissioned Officers Assoc.; MIS Co. Vets. Service Officers Assoc.; PEF Veterans Committee; Sampson Navy WWII Veterans; The Retired Enlisted Association; Tn County Council Vietnam veterans; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Veterans of Overseas Services of America; Women Veterans of America; 369th Veterans Association; 6924 Heritage Association; United Service & Veterans Action Council; UFT Veterans Committee; and Veterans for Peace.