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Senator Daphne Jordan's bipartisan legislation establishing the New York State Korean War Commemorative Medal passes State Senate

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Albany, NY – New York State Senator Daphne Jordan (R,C,I-Halfmoon), Member of the Senate Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs Committee, proudly announced that her bipartisan legislation establishing the New York State Korean War Commemorative Medal passed the State Senate during today's session.

Senator Jordan's bipartisan legislation, Senate Bill S.2091C, amends the military law to establish the New York State Korean War Service Medal for members of the armed forces or organized militia serving abroad in the Korean War from June 25, 1950, through July 27, 1953.

Senator Jordan's bipartisan legislation was passed during today's session by a vote of 62-1. The Assembly companion measure to Senator Jordan's legislation, Assembly Bill A.1310B, sponsored by Democrat Assemblyman William Magnarelli (D-129th District) has passed the State Assembly. This measure and Senator Jordan's bill will be sent to Governor Hochul to be considered and signed into law.

As noted in the bill memo accompanying Senator Jordan's legislation, the Korean War represented the first major military conflict of the Cold War and saw approximately 1.8

million American soldiers endure some of the most challenging environments and dangerous military engagements of the modern era. More than 33,686 U.S. military service personnel died in battle during the long, brutal war.

“The Korean War has inappropriately been referred to as America's ‘forgotten war.’ The reality could not be further from the truth. New Yorkers will never forget the service and selfless sacrifice of our patriotic heroes who served during the Korean War. We have a duty and an obligation to remember and honor the service of our state's Korean War Veterans. My bipartisan legislation establishing the New York State Korean War Commemorative Medal recognizing the service and sacrifice of Korean War Veterans who proudly wore America's uniform, and served with uncommon valor, is a new way we can publicly honor these true heroes who are never forgotten. I’m hopeful that my bill will be signed into law by Governor Hochul,” **Senator Jordan said.**

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