LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Anthony Cybulski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor A Veteran Ceremony on April 8, 2013

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 peacetime, deserve a special salute; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend those who have served in times of active conflict, as well as those who have served in times of peace; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Anthony Cybulski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Deceased Honor A Veteran Ceremony on Monday, April 8, 2013, at the Rensselaer County Office Building's Hall of Heroes, Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Hall of Heroes is a Memorial Display honoring those courageous men and women of Rensselaer County, past and present, who serve their country in time of conflict; the Deceased Honor A Veteran Ceremony is held monthly; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Cybulski, who died in 2012 at the age of 86, served his country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Navy during World War II as a Gunners Mate 2nd Class aboard the USS LCI-651; he was awarded many active service medals, including the Naval Achievement Medal for his bravery during the invasion of Iwo Jima; and

WHEREAS, A proud veteran, Anthony Cybulski kept a scrapbook filled with pictures from World War II and kept in touch with many of his friends from his time in the Navy; and

WHEREAS, For his courageous and dedicated service in the United States military, Anthony Cybulski's name will be added to the Hall of Heroes on a plaque listing other deceased veterans honored in 2013; 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 their patriotism both at home and abroad, these men and women demonstrated their love for their country and merit forevermore, the highest respect of their 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 Nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Anthony Cybulski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor A Veteran Ceremony on April 8, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Anthony Cybulski.