

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION recognizing Joseph Panzardi upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 Memorial Day Distinguished Veteran Honoree

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to acknowledge outstanding individuals whose professional lives, personal endeavors and community service are an example and inspiration to their colleagues, friends, and family; and

WHEREAS, Members and former members of the Armed Services of the United States 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 from this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to recognize Joseph Panzardi upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 Memorial Day Distinguished Veteran Honoree; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated on Monday, May 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Queens Village, New York, Joseph Panzardi attended Flushing High School and York College; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Panzardi entered military service with the United States Army in August, 1967, and served overseas in Vietnam and Bad Kissengen, Germany; he received an honorable discharge in August, 1973; and

WHEREAS, While on active duty in the United States Army, Joseph Panzardi was awarded the Air Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and Vietnam Service and Campaign medals; he also received the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, a Presidential Unit Citation and the National Defense Medal; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Panzardi was also the recipient of the New York State Conspicuous Service Award and Conspicuous Service Star and Merit medals; and

WHEREAS, The First Vice-Commander of Edward McKee American Legion Post 131, Joseph Panzardi is Quartermaster and a life member of Whitestone Community V.F.W. Post 4787; he is also the Secretary and a life member of Queens Chapter 32 of the Vietnam Veterans of America; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Panzardi held various positions with the Con Edison Company and retired from Con Ed after 37 years of service; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Panzardi and his wife, Maryann, are the proud parents of three children, Joseph, Jr., Regina Rasa and Antoinette Wanser; they have four grandchildren, Arianna, Ava and twins, Layla and Jason; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his military, professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Joseph Panzardi has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor, and has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues, family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Our veterans deserve to be recognized, commended and thanked by the people of the State of New York for their service and for their dedication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize Joseph Panzardi upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 Memorial Day Distinguished Veteran Honoree; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joseph Panzardi.