

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION recognizing Michael Daughtry upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 Veterans Day Distinguished 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 Michael Daughtry upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 Veterans Day Distinguished Honoree; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated on Veterans Day, November 11, 2013; and

WHEREAS, A Life Member of the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA), Michael Daughtry is 2nd Vice President of VVA Chapter 32, Queens, New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Michael Daughtry is currently a national delegate and New York State delegate for the VVA Board of Directors-elect for VFW Post 4787, Whitestone, New York; and

WHEREAS, A member of the DAV, VFW, and American Legion, Michael Daughtry is very active in VVA chapter activities, the veterans community and the advancement of veterans rights; and

WHEREAS, The active duty United States Army career of Michael Daughtry began in 1967; he was assigned to the 101st Airborne Division, D Company, 1st Battalion, 501st infantry; and

WHEREAS, Michael Daughtry deployed to Vietnam in December 1967; he was seriously wounded in action in mid-1967, and spent one and a half years recuperating from his wounds in St. Alban's Hospital in Queens, New York; and

WHEREAS, During his distinguished military service, Michael Daughtry was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Parachute Badge, Good Conduct Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Vietnam Presidential Unit Citation and National Defense Medal; and

WHEREAS, Michael Daughtry worked for General Motors for 32 years until his retirement five years ago; and

WHEREAS, Michael Daughtry and his wife of 46 years, Diane, are the proud parents of three children; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his military, professional and community service, a period of constructive involvement, Michael Daughtry 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 Michael Daughtry upon the occasion of his designation as a 2013 Veterans Day Distinguished Honoree; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Michael Daughtry.