

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joseph A. Paslow posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor-A-Deceased-Veteran Ceremony on July 11, 2016

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 Joseph A. Paslow posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor-A-Deceased-Veteran Ceremony on Monday, July 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, For his courageous and dedicated service to his country, Joseph A. Paslow will be recognized at this year's July Honor-A-Deceased-Veteran Ceremony; and

WHEREAS, Born April 5, 1927, to the late Anthony and Anna (Procak) Paslowski, Joseph A. Paslow graduated from Troy High School and attended Siena College; on July 16, 1945, he enlisted in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Paslow valiantly served his country as an Auto Mechanic during World War II; on January 2, 1947, he was honorably discharged; and

WHEREAS, For his meritorious service, Joseph A. Paslow was the recipient of the World War II Victory Medal; and

WHEREAS, Joseph A. Paslow was employed as a tool and gauge designer at the Watervliet Arsenal for 23 years, a position from which he retired in 1979; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Watervliet, Joseph A. Paslow was a faithful member of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Orthodox Church, where he was a long time member of the Choir; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community in which he lived and worked, Joseph A. Paslow served as a paramedic with the former Riverside Ambulance, and was a life member of the Schuyler Heights Fire Company, where he held several leadership titles such as Fire Police Captain, Chaplain and Commissioner; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Joseph A. Paslow participated in many volunteer firematic associations including HVVFA, HNVFA, FASNY, NYSAFC, and VFPA-NY; he also was a member of the American Legion and the Watervliet Lodge of Elks, and served as a Boy Scout Leader; and

WHEREAS, An avid golfer, devoted family man and hard worker, Joseph A. Paslow died on March 28, 2002, at the age of 74; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his first wife, Elizabeth Kelly Paslow, and his second wife, M. Roslyn Bleau Paslow, one son, Kim A. Paslow; two brothers, Timothy and John; and four sisters, Rose, Kathryn, Jessie and Mary; Joseph A. Paslow is survived by his son, Kelly (Pam); one daughter, Lynne (Paul); four grandchildren, Justin, Kalyn, Joseph and Kimberly; and a sister, Eugenia; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins; 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 Joseph A. Paslow posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor-A-Deceased-Veteran Ceremony on July 11, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Joseph A. Paslow.