

Senate Resolution No. 1327

BY: Senator TEDISCO

COMMENDING Edward F. Malinowski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

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 from this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Edward F. Malinowski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate, to be presented at the Saratoga County Honor a Deceased Veteran Ceremony on Tuesday, June 20, 2023, in Ballston Spa, New York; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by Resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, Edward F. Malinowski was born on February 17, 1924, to Joseph and Mary Malinowski; after graduating from Kring Bush Oppenheim High School in St. Johnsville, New York, he studied diesel and engine maintenance and repair at the State University of New York; and

WHEREAS, Edward F. Malinowski entered into the United States Army on February 10, 1943, and proudly served his country as an infantryman, ammo bearer for heavy mortars, and truck driver with the 314th Infantry Regiment 79th Infantry Division during World War II; and

WHEREAS, During his service, Edward F. Malinowski's unit landed at Utah Beach and fought all through France, and into Germany; he mostly drove enemy captured trucks loaded with prisoners, replacements and supplies and ran truck convoys along the famous Red Ball Express route among others; and

WHEREAS, For his courageous service during World War II, Edward F. Malinowski was awarded the European African Middle Eastern Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, World War II Victory Medal and the American Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his military service on January 3, 1946, with the rank of Private First Class, Edward F. Malinowski returned to his hometown and married the love of his life, the former Sophie Pingelski, on June 18, 1949, and together, they raised four children; and

WHEREAS, Edward F. Malinowski worked for the Waterford Department of

Transportation, retiring in 1989, after numerous years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Edward F. Malinowski was a member of the Halfmoon American Legion Mohawk Post and the Baldwin Hunt Club; and

WHEREAS, Edward F. Malinowski died on June 23, 1995, at the age of 71; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited his patriotism both at home and abroad, Edward F. Malinowski demonstrated his love for his country and merits forevermore the highest respect of his 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 commend Edward F. Malinowski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Edward F. Malinowski.