

Assembly Resolution No. 695

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**MEMORIALIZING** Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim  
October 29 - November 4, 2023, as Veterans Awareness  
Week in the State of New York

**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**, 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 memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim October 29-November 4, 2023, the week prior to our national Veteran's Day, held yearly on November 11, as Veterans Awareness Week in the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS**, November 11th is a national holiday set aside for Americans to pay homage to the veterans of our military service organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout our Nation's history, the men and women of America's Armed Forces have preserved our freedom, protected our security and upheld our democratic values; from the battles of the American Revolution through the crucible of two world wars to the present war on terrorism, our men and women in uniform have stood proudly in defense of the United States and for the cause of liberty; and

**WHEREAS**, The true meaning of our Veteran's Day may not receive enough attention on the one-day holiday set aside for this purpose; it is felt that an official week-long period is needed in which schools, veterans organizations, and the general public could more broadly focus on, and show their appreciation for the veterans still with us; and

**WHEREAS**, During this week in which we honor our veterans, schools may spend more time on programs describing the reasons our men and women were asked to serve our country; patients in veterans hospitals could receive special visits; and attendance at various memorial services for those lost in war could be encouraged and increased; 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 memorialize Governor Kathy Hochul to proclaim October 29- November 4, 2023, the week prior to our national Veteran's Day, held yearly on November 11, as Veterans Awareness Week in the State of New York; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to The Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of the State of New York.