Assembly Resolution No. 1301

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**COMMEMORATING** the 80th Anniversary of the Waterloo Memorial Post No. 6433 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those fraternal organizations of high purpose and worthy accomplishment whose endeavors have faithfully served the welfare of the citizens of the State of New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the Waterloo Memorial Post No. 6433 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to be celebrated with a special Open House and Luncheon event at the Post building in Waterloo, New York, on Saturday, June 6, 2026; and

**WHEREAS,** On June 6,1946, 101 local United States veterans organized the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 6433 under the leadership of Vincent 0. White; at its inception, the Post members rented rooms on Main Street in Waterloo; and

**WHEREAS,** On January 8,1947, the Post members were joined by their auxiliary; the members voted to purchase the home of Navy Commander George Cook Sweet; unfortunately, shortly after renovation commenced, the home was destroyed by fire; in the 1950s, they rebuilt and settled into the Post they utilize today; and

**WHEREAS,** Several other veterans groups derived from the Waterloo Memorial Post, including the Marine Corps League No. 468, Seneca Chief's Disabled American Veterans No. 197, Gold Star Mothers, Sampson Veterans, Finger Lakes Chapter 1 Korean Wars Veterans, and Men's Auxiliary; additionally, a Past State Commander and Past State President originated from the Post; and

**WHEREAS,** Throughout the years, the Waterloo Memorial Post has hosted VFW state bowling tournaments, Red Cross blood drives, Memorial Day events, testimonial dinners, Past Presidents & Commanders Dinners, funeral luncheons, wedding receptions, and driver safety courses; the Color Guard marched across New York State and holds the title of State Guard for the VFW; and

**WHEREAS,** From time to time, this Legislative Body takes note of certain altruistic organizations it wishes to acknowledge for their philanthropic and community-oriented contributions to our society which enhance the basic humanity among all the citizens of New York State; and

**WHEREAS,** This Legislative Body is proudly moved to commemorate and commend the members of the Waterloo Memorial Post No. 6433, past and present, who have labored so conscientiously to secure and improve the quality of life for the community they serve; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the Waterloo Memorial Post No. 6433 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Waterloo Memorial Post No. 6433 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.