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Introduced by Sen. BALL -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to requiring certain municipalities to display the prisoner of war and missing in action flag

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 403-a of the executive law, as amended by chapter 411 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:

1. Every county outside the city of New York, city, town, and village is encouraged to display the prisoner of war and missing in action flag at the building housing its local legislative body on all days on which the flag of the United States of America is displayed. EVERY COUNTY OUTSIDE THE CITY OF NEW YORK, AND EVERY CITY, TOWN, AND VILLAGE SHALL FLY AN OFFICIAL NATIONAL LEAGUE OF FAMILIES POW/MIA FLAG, AS DESIGNATED BY SECTION 2 OF PUBLIC LAW 101-355 (36 U.S.C. 189) AT THE BUILDING HOUSING ITS LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODY IF A CONGRESSIONALLY CHARTERED VETERANS ORGANIZATION INCLUDING ANY POST, CHAPTER, DETACHMENT UNIT, AUXILIARY UNIT OR SOCIETY OF SUCH VETERANS ORGANIZATION HAS PROVIDED THE COUNTY, CITY, TOWN, OR VILLAGE WITH SUCH FLAG AND, UPON SUCH MUNICIPALITY'S REQUEST, ANY NECESSARY ATTACHMENTS OR FASTENERS REQUIRED TO ENABLE THE FLAG TO BE VISIBLE TO THE PUBLIC, ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS: ARMED FORCES DAY, THE THIRD SATURDAY IN MAY; MEMORIAL DAY, THE LAST MONDAY IN MAY; FLAG DAY, JUNE 14; INDEPENDENCE DAY, JULY 4; NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY, THE THIRD FRIDAY IN SEPTEMBER EXCEPT IF SUCH DATE OF COMMEMORATION CANNOT BE OBSERVED DUE TO A RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY, SUCH OBSERVANCES SHALL THEN BE CONDUCTED ON THE SECOND FRIDAY IN SEPTEMBER AND VETERANS DAY, NOVEMBER 11.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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