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## IN ASSEMBLY

November 27, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. DiPIETRO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to desecration of property commemorating a historical figure

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 Section 1. The penal law is amended by adding a new section 145.75 to 2 read as follows:
- 3 § 145.75 Desecration of property commemorating a historical figure.
- A person is guilty of desecration of property commemorating a historical figure when with intent to damage property of another person, and having no right to do so nor any reasonable ground to believe that he has such right, he:
- 8 (a) damages any real or personal property, including but not limited
  9 to any commemorative monument, marker or street sign, relating to any
  10 person, living or dead, who has historical or cultural significance; or
- 11 (b) with intent to steal personal property, he steals personal proper-
- 12 ty, including but not limited to any commemorative monument, marker or
- 13 street sign, relating to any person, living or dead, who has historical
- 14 or cultural significance.
- Desecration of property commemorating a historical figure is a class C
- 16 **felony.**
- 17 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-18 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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