BY: Senator BRESLIN

COMMENDING Thomas Stanley Ostrowski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor a Deceased Veteran Ceremony on April 13, 2020

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; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Thomas Stanley Ostrowski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor a Deceased Veteran Ceremony to be celebrated on Monday, April 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski was born on April 4, 1943, in Brooklyn, New York, the son of Bruno and Frances (Ostarch) Ostrowski; he attended St. Patrick's High School in Troy, New York, and went on to further his education at Hudson Valley Community College, as well as the College of St. Rose; and

WHEREAS, On October 11, 1966, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski enlisted in the United States Navy and proudly served his country as a petty officer second class as a draftsman; and

WHEREAS, For his outstanding service to this country, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, as well as the Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his military service on July 1, 1970, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski was employed with General Electric as an engineer draftsman for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, Active in his community, Thomas Stanley Ostrowksi was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Troy, New York, and was involved with bingo and ushering amongst other things; and

WHEREAS, In his free time, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski was an avid fisherman, fly tyer, photographer, woodworker, and enjoyed building bird houses; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski died on October 1, 2018, at the age of 75; he will eternally rest at Saint Jean's Cemetery, Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, Residents of this great State must never forget the courage with which these men and women served their country, and must recognize that no greater debt is owed than that owed to those who gave their lives for their beloved Nation and to those who continue to be missing in action; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited his patriotism both at home and abroad, Thomas Stanley Ostrowski 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 Thomas Stanley Ostrowski posthumously upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Rensselaer County at its Honor a Deceased Veteran Ceremony on April 13, 2020; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Thomas Stanley Ostrowski.