STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 4, 2022

Introduced by Sens. COONEY, BROUK -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation -committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to distinctive license plates issued to congressional medal of honor recipients

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

Section 1. Section 404-p of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by 2 chapter 486 of the laws of 1996, subdivision 3 as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

§ 404-p. Distinctive plates for congressional medal of honor recipients. 1. Any congressional medal of honor recipient residing in this state, or the spouse of any such recipient, shall, upon request, be issued a license plate bearing the words "congressional medal of honor". Application for said license plate shall be filed with the commissioner in such form and detail as the commissioner shall prescribe.

2. The distinctive plate authorized herein shall be issued upon proof, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the applicant is a congressional medal of honor recipient.

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- 3. A distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section shall be issued 14 in the same manner as other number plates, provided, however, that no 15 registration fee or service charge shall be charged for such plate. registration fee or service charge shall be charged for plates trans-17 ferred to a surviving spouse, pursuant to the provisions of subdivision four of this section.
- 4. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the commis-20 sioner shall transfer a distinctive plate issued pursuant to this section to the surviving spouse of a deceased congressional medal of 22 honor recipient if such surviving spouse so requests within one hundred 23 eighty days following the death of such congressional medal of honor 24 recipient, or within one hundred eighty days of the effective date of 25 this subdivision where such congressional medal of honor recipient 26 predeceased such effective date. The commissioner shall promulgate any

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

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1 <u>rules or regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this</u> 2 <u>subdivision.</u>

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.