Senate Resolution No. 399

BY: Senator HINCHEY

COMMENDING Stanley Maltzman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate

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 from this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Stanley Maltzman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate, to be celebrated at the Annual Greene County Honor-a-Vet Veteran-of-the-Year Ceremony on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at the Historic Catskill Point Warehouse in Catskill, New York; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Senate Liberty Medal was established by Resolution and is awarded to individuals who have merited special commendation for exceptional, heroic, or humanitarian acts on behalf of their fellow New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Maltzman was born to Abraham and Sarah Maltzman on July 4, 1921, in Bronx, New York; he attended Public School No. 90 and Theodore Roosevelt High School; he also attended the Phoenix School of Design from 1946-1949, obtaining his degree in art and commercial art; and

WHEREAS, After serving as a volunteer for the United States Navy Reserve, Stanley Maltzman entered the United States Coast Guard on March 26, 1942, as Apprentice Seaman; at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, he boarded the U.S.S. Centaurus (AKA-17) which crossed the Panama Canal en route to the Pacific Ocean; the crew of the Navy ship participated in six invasions, including Los Negros, Guam, and Okinawa; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Maltzman was discharged as Signalman, First Class at the Coast Guard Personnel Separation Center No. 3 in Brooklyn, New York, on May 1, 1946; and

WHEREAS, For his dedicated service to his country and fellow citizens, Signalman First Class Stanley Maltzman earned the following awards: Navy Combat Ribbon; World War II Victory Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal; and Good Conduct Medal; and

WHEREAS, Stanley Maltzman and his wife, Rachel, were married on August 17, 1947, in Bronx, New York; the couple were blessed with two daughters, Carole and Susan; through the years, the Maltzman family expanded to include four grandchildren, Megan, Katie, Will, and Sarah, and two great-grandchildren, Alexis and Conor; and

WHEREAS, In his civilian life, Stanley Maltzman found employment in commercial art as Studio Director, Art Director, and Account Executive prior to working as an independent artist which he still enjoys; and

WHEREAS, Remaining active in his community, Stanley Maltzman was involved in numerous organizations such as Boy Scouts of America and the Greene County Council on the Arts; in 1999, he organized the Tuesday Night Sketchers at the Greenville Library which still continues to offer both aspiring and experienced artists opportunities for independent study; and

WHEREAS, Through reunions, Stanley Maltzman remained in contact with many of his shipmates and their families for 25 years; the very few surviving crewmen have difficulty traveling so they contact one another through telephone calls; and

WHEREAS, The crewmen have added to the richness of Stanley Maltzman's life, and he is truly grateful; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited his patriotism both at home and abroad, Stanley Maltzman has 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 Stanley Maltzman upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of a Liberty Medal, the highest honor bestowed upon an individual by the New York State Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Stanley Maltzman.