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Senate Resolution No. 1412

BY: Senator HINCHEY

COMMENDING Frederick Warren Crosby Jr.
posthumously 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 Frederick
Warren Crosby Jr. posthumously 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
Columbia County Honor a Veteran Ceremony on Monday, June 12, 2023; 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, Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. entered the U.S. Army in
Albany, New York on November 27, 1963, as a private at 17; after basic
training from February 1964 to April 1964, he received advanced training

at Fort Leonard Wood as a tractor scraper machine operator; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Fourth Class Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. was assigned to Southeast Asia and for the next year he was stationed in Thailand as a bulldozer operator; Specialist Fourth Class Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. returned to the states and served with the Co. A, 16th Engineer Battalion, 1st Armored Division in Fort Hood, Texas; and

WHEREAS, For his courageous service, Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. was awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. completed his military service on November 25, 1966; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. returned to Columbia County where he met and married Polly Negrini on November 3, 1979, and raised two children, Luke and Amanda; he owned and operated multiple businesses in New York and Western Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, His hobbies included fishing, hunting, and trapping, spending time in the Adirondacks, attending St. Patrick's Church in West Stockbridge, and was a member of the Canaan Conservation Club; and

WHEREAS, Fredrick Warren Crosby Jr. died on Monday, June 6, 2020, at the age of 73; he left behind his wife, his two children, and four grandchildren; 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, Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. 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 Frederick Warren Crosby Jr. posthumously 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 the family of Frederick Warren Crosby Jr.