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Palumbo Declares Victory for Long Island Veterans

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Tax Donations Dispersed to Long Island Veterans Home

New York State Senator Anthony Palumbo (R,C-New Suffolk) today announced that after months of advocacy from veteran groups and Republican officials, the Long Island State Veterans Home will finally receive over \$80,000 in past donations generously given by New Yorkers through the state's tax-checkoff system. Senator Palumbo called for the distribution of these funds earlier this year following a report from the State Comptroller's Office showing that millions in state tax donations to Veterans organization, including \$410,000 for the state's veteran's homes and other charitable organizations had not been disbursed.

"Today is great news for the Long Island Veterans Home, our veterans and the countless New Yorkers who generously donated to support New York's veterans," **said Senator Anthony Palumbo.** "I will continue to fight to ensure that every dollar donated reaches its intended cause and for the state to set up a system to deliver this funding on a yearly basis. Our veterans should not be forced to wait years for support so graciously gifted by their fellow New Yorkers."

Fred Sganga, Executive Director of the Long Island State Veterans Home said: "All of us at the Long Island State Veterans Home are grateful to New York State Senator Anthony Palumbo for his tireless efforts to secure us this critical funding. These taxpayers donated funds will be utilized to enhance the quality of life for our veterans and their families - making a big difference for all those we are honored to serve. Thank you again Senator Palumbo.

Joe Cagnitore, Commander of the VFW Post 6249 and member of the Long Island State Veterans Home Advisory Board said: "I want to thank Senator Anthony Palumbo and his colleagues for advocating for the release of this funding. These donations are critical to supporting veterans and providing them care here on Long Island. I applaud the Senator for his efforts on behalf of our Veterans and their families."