



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Hinchey, Cahill Designate Portion of State Rt. 28 the 'Ulster County Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway'

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Legislation Sponsored by Senator Michelle Hinchey and Former Assemblyman Kevin Cahill Honors Korean War Veterans in Ulster County with Highway Naming Along Rt. 28

TOWN OF ULSTER, NY – Today, Senator Michelle Hinchey and former Assemblyman Kevin Cahill unveiled the Ulster County Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway on State Route 28. Their legislation (S4074/A1665), signed into law by the Governor, officially names the stretch of highway from the Kingston Traffic Circle in Ulster County to the Town of Ulster municipal line.

Senator Michelle Hinchey said, “It was my privilege to partner with former Assemblyman Kevin Cahill to establish the Ulster County Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway on Route 28, one of

our most traveled local roads. This highway naming is a permanent tribute to our Korean War Veterans, standing as a powerful, everyday reminder to our community and the millions of visitors to our region of the immeasurable sacrifices these veterans made for our country. I'm proud to have helped create this special designation for our Korean War Veterans, and I know that it's acts like these that will ensure their service is rightfully honored and elevated in public consciousness."

Former Assemblyman Kevin Cahill said, "Memorializing those who served our nation at times of conflict and war is one of the ways we can assure that their duty and sacrifice are always remembered. Senator Michelle Hinchey has been a leader in recognizing the importance of saying thank you to our Veterans. As one of her early acts in office, Governor Kathy Hochul honored our Korean War Vets by signing this important legislation into law. Thank you Senator Hinchey and Governor Hochul for making this long overdue recognition possible. And especially thank you to Korean War and all Veterans for their service to our great nation."

Ulster County Veteran Services Agency Deputy Director Frank Reggero said, "The dedication and designation of one most beautiful and picturesque highways in Ulster County as the 'Korean War Veterans Memorial Highway' is the least we as a community can do to honor the courage, commitment, and sacrifice of the over 4,000 Ulster County Veterans who served during Korean War, otherwise known as 'The Forgotten War.' This magnificent stretch of roadway will inspire thought, reflection, and contemplation on those who served and their families during that period of our Nation's history, ever reminding us of the costs of War. Several Veteran organizations throughout Ulster County are grateful for the leadership and stewardship of Senator Hinchey and former Assemblyman Cahill in making this a reality for our community."

Hinchey welcomed elected officials and veterans to a sign unveiling ceremony on Wednesday, August 14, in the Town of Ulster, which included Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger, Town of Ulster Supervisor James Quigley, Town of Ulster Board member Maryann DeGroodt, and Department of Transportation (DOT) Region 8 Deputy Director Nikhil Natarajan. Members of the veteran community included Ulster County Veteran Services Agency Deputy Director Frank Reggero, Co-Founder and Executive Director of HVNCVR Kevin Keaveny, Kingston Veterans Association Executive Director Bill Forte, members of the Kingston Honor Guard and veterans

from across Ulster County.

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