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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending Russ Friedman upon the occasion of having the 2009 Crown Royal 400 named in his honor

WHEREAS, Members of the United States Armed Forces, who served so faithfully and courageously in wars in which our Nation's freedom was at stake, as well as in the preservation of peace during peacetime, deserve the highest commendation of this Legislative Body; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend Russ Friedman upon the occasion of having the 2009 Crown Royal 400 named in his honor; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Huntington Station, New York, Russ Friedman served his country honorably and with distinction as a member of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, To commemorate his service and dedication to his country, the 2009 Crown Royal 400 at the Richmond International Speedway on May 2, 2009, will be renamed the Russ Friedman 400; and

WHEREAS, A proud veteran and two-time recipient of the Purple Heart, Russ Friedman is dedicating the race that bears his name to all of the dedicated men and women who serve their country with bravery and distinction; and

WHEREAS, The dedication and sacrifices of our military personnel ensure our continued role as a Nation which embodies the ideals of democracy, and is a defender of liberty for peoples throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is very pleased to join with Russ Friedman and the Richmond International Speedway to express its gratitude to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces for their tremendous sacrifices made for our Nation and for the benefit of all Americans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend Russ Friedman upon the occasion of having the 2009 Crown Royal 400 named in his honor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Russ Friedman.