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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commemorating the dedication of the Memorial Wall Monument at Orchard Park American Legion Post 567 on Memorial Day, May 30, 2011

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 commemorate the dedication of the Memorial Wall Monument at Orchard Park American Legion Post 567 on Memorial Day, May 30, 2011; and WHEREAS, The Memorial Wall Monument at Orchard Park American Legion Post 567 serves as a fitting tribute to the men and women who have so courageously served in our armed forces in an effort to protect and preserve the cherished values of our Nation; and WHEREAS, The outside wall of the Memorial Wall Monument consists of two polished, engraved granite stones as its centerpiece; on each side of the stones are bricks, each etched with a personal message to those men and women who have heroically served our country; the monument also includes granite plagues honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice and those who are listed as prisoners of war or missing in action (POW-MIA); and WHEREAS, The Memorial Wall Monument at Orchard Park American Legion Post 567 provides a place for families and friends to come to remember and salute the service of these men and women; 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 their patriotism both at home and abroad, these men and women demonstrated their love for their country and merit forevermore, the highest respect of their 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 commemorate the dedication of the Memorial Wall Monument at Orchard Park American Legion Post 567 on Memorial Day, May 30, 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Orchard Park American Legion Post 567.