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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Allan P. Wallace upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize and acknowledge those within our midst who have made significant contributions to the quality of life therein; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Allan P. Wallace upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition, to be celebrated on Sunday, July 29, 2012, at the 50th Anniversary of Independence for Trinidad and Tobago event in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, Born in Trinidad, Allan Wallace migrated to the United States on April 28, 1968; after a few months in the United States, he voluntarily joined the United States Army in November of 1968 serving one year in the Republic of Vietnam from 1969-1970; and

WHEREAS, After a tour in Vietnam, along with four years of active duty, Allan Wallace took a well deserved break from the military, at which time he was employed by the Emergency Medical Service (EMS), which was part of the Health and Hospital Corporation; and

WHEREAS, However, in 1980, Allan Wallace left EMS to join the New York City Transit Authority; his love of duty and country remained as he also joined the United States Army Reserve, assigned to the 408th Personnel Service Battalion at the 77th Army Reserve Command; and

WHEREAS, Allan Wallace served in various positions within the 408th Personnel Service Battalion from 1980 to 1997; from 1997 to 2002, at which time he had acquired the rank of Master Sergeant, and was appointed as the 77th Regional Readiness Command's (RRC) HIHC 1SG; in 2002, he stepped down as the HHC 1SG and took a position in the 77th RRC

Surgeon's Office as their Nuclear Medical Specialist; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Allan Wallace was called to Active Duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Enduring Freedom, and Noble Eagle; during his 1.5 years of mobilization in the Surgeon's Office he was instrumental in ensuring the medical preparedness of the Command's mobilizing soldiers, both CONUS & OCONUS; and

WHEREAS, Allan Wallace assisted in the medical preparedness of over 4,000 soldiers while mobilized; in September of 2004, he reluctantly retired from the Reserves after 30 years of dedicated service; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to society, Allan Wallace's distinguished record merits the recognition and respectful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Allan P. Wallace upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Allan P. Wallace.