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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION mourning the death of J. Leo Glynn, retired Petty Officer First Class, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, The quality and character of life in this Nation, and the great State of New York, is reflective of the purposeful lives and good works of those patriotic and civic-minded community members who dedicate their lives and careers to the service of others; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to publicly mourn the death of those prominent citizens whose lifework and purposeful endeavors have served to enrich and enhance the quality and character of life for others in their community and the great State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Retired Petty Officer First Class J. Leo Glynn died on Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at the age of 89; and

WHEREAS, A lifelong resident of Newburgh, New York, J. Leo Glynn was born on March 22, 1925, to the late J. Leo and Mary (Mae Brady) Glynn; and

WHEREAS, J. Leo Glynn proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy from 1943-1946, at Naval Supply Depots in Africa and Pennsylvania; after his honorable discharge, he married his wife, Genevieve DeVito, on December 1, 1946, at St. Mary's Church in Newburgh; and

WHEREAS, J. Leo Glynn earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Miami and was named to the Alpha Kappa Psi International Professional Business Fraternity; upon graduation, he began his employment with Central Hudson, and would continue for 33 years of distinguished service; and

WHEREAS, J. Leo Glynn distinguished himself by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, His commitment to excellence, and his spirit of humanity,

carried over into all fields of enterprise, including charitable and civic endeavors; and

WHEREAS, An active member of the community of Newburgh, J. Leo Glynn served as a Town Councilman and as a member of its Planning Board; he was both a member and President of the Kiwanis Club of Newburgh, and a volunteer with the Meals on Wheels; and

WHEREAS, A 50 year LIFE member of the Town of Newburgh American Legion Post 1420, J. Leo Glynn held command positions at the Post, County, and Department levels; he was also a Past Chef de Gare (Cdr) of the Orange County 40 & 8 Society; and

WHEREAS, For over 40 years, J. Leo Glynn served as the American Legion's Boys' State Chairman and also Judge Advocate; he personally taught more than 500 young men the importance of civic responsibility and personal accountability; and

WHEREAS, In addition, J. Leo Glynn was a member of the first class named to the New York State Senate Veterans Hall of Fame, and served as a member of the Orange County Legislature Advisory Committee, as well as the National Veterans Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, For J. Leo Glynn's outstanding contributions to society, the American Legion bestowed upon him the Citation of Honor, the National Achievement Award, and the Americanism citation; he also was selected as the 1998 Orange County Legionnaire of the Year, as well as the Grand Marshal of the Town of Newburgh's Memorial Day Parade; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his two brothers, W. Joseph and Donald Gerard Glynn, J. Leo Glynn is survived by his loving wife, Genevieve; one son, James (Jerilyn) Glynn; one daughter, Kathleen (Alan) Guarino; four grandchildren, Margaret (James) Hosking, Laura (Brad) Smith, Allegra Guarino, and Christofer Guarino and friend Jenna; one step-granddaughter

Rachel (Jason); four great-grandsons, Grant, Drew, J.B., and Avery; one brother, John (Carol); and four sisters-in-law, Eleanor, Mildred (Jeffrey), Gloria, and Elizabeth; as well as many nieces and nephews;

and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, J. Leo Glynn leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of J. Leo Glynn, retired Petty Officer First Class, distinguished citizen and devoted member of his community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of J. Leo Glynn.