

## 2015-K439

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Leonard Maniccia upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Veteran of the Year Award by the Veteran's Council of Oswego

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, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend those who have served in times of active conflict, as well as those who have served in times of peace; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Leonard Maniccia upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Veteran of the Year Award by the Veteran's Council of Oswego on Saturday, May 23, 2015, at the Ancient Order of Hibernians Club in Oswego, New York; and

WHEREAS, The respected Veteran of the Year Award recognizes individuals who have served honorably in the military, as well as those who have contributed to the betterment of their community after being discharged; and

WHEREAS, Leonard Maniccia served his country proudly as a member of the United States Army during World War II; he became a member of the 9th Infantry Division, one of the first units to engage in offensive ground operations during the war, and an integral part of the Rhineland and Central Europe campaigns; and

WHEREAS, For his courageous service during combat operations, Leonard Maniccia received seven medals, including the illustrious Bronze Star for Valor; and

WHEREAS, Following the completion of his military service, Leonard

Maniccia returned to Oswego, and accepted a position in Syracuse, teaching refrigerator and air conditioner repair for the Air Force for 13 years; subsequently, he worked at SUNY Oswego teaching similar skills to BOCES students; and

WHEREAS, Having exhibited his patriotism both at home and abroad, Leonard Maniccia has demonstrated his love for his country and merits forevermore, the highest respect of his 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; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Leonard Maniccia upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2015 Veteran of the Year Award by the Veteran's Council of Oswego; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Leonard Maniccia.