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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION commending the Wounded Warrior Project upon the occasion of hosting the Sixth Annual Memorial Day 100 on May 23, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend the Wounded Warrior Project upon the occasion of hosting the Sixth Annual Memorial Day 100 on Saturday, May 23, 2015; and

WHEREAS, The Wounded Warrior Project is a nationally recognized organization aimed at assisting the men and women of our Armed Forces who have been severely injured during combat operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other overseas contingency operations worldwide; and

WHEREAS, The Wounded Warrior Project aims to raise awareness and has enlisted the public's aid for the needs of severely injured soldiers; in addition, it helps severely injured service members aid and/or assist each other, as well as provides unique, direct programs and services to meet their needs; and

WHEREAS, The Wounded Warrior Project organizes numerous fundraisers to benefit its worthy cause, including the Annual Memorial Day 100 marathon; throughout the past five years, this stellar event has raised significant funds; and

WHEREAS, On Saturday, May 23, 2015, 30 United States Marine Veterans will commence the 115 mile-relay marathon at the World War II Memorial in Albany, New York, and end at the Purple Heart Hall of Honor in New Windsor, New York; and

WHEREAS, The race consists of a relay with two Marine Veterans of the

3rd Battalion, 25th Regiment (3/25) who served in Iraq running at a time, proudly carrying the Stars and Stripes and the Wounded Warrior Project Flag; and

WHEREAS, During their 2005 deployment, the 3/25 regiment lost 48 brothers, including Corporal Joseph S. Tremblay; this distinguished event, the 2015 Marathon, is being held in his honor, as well as for the rest of the soldiers lost in Iraq; and

WHEREAS, The late Corporal Joseph S. Tremblay proudly served his country as a member of the 3/25 Battalion, 4th Marine Division, of the United States Marine Corps; and

WHEREAS, Joseph S. Tremblay was born on November 13, 1981, to Lawrence Tremblay, Sr. and Tina Marie Remo; he graduated from the Newburgh Free Academy in 1999, and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, completing a four-year tour; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Joseph S. Tremblay remained in the Marines Reserve and signed up for active duty when the call went out for volunteers; during his tour of duty, he served in Hawaii, Japan, and Australia; 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, 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 peace-

time, deserve a special salute from this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

commend the Wounded Warrior Project upon the occasion of hosting the Sixth Annual Memorial Day 100 on May 23, 2015; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Wounded Warrior Project, and the family of Corporal Joseph S. Tremblay.