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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Sol Greenberg upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Veterans Recognition Program on June 11, 2015

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; and

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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Sol Greenberg upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Veterans Recognition Program on Thursday, June 11, 2015, at the Albany County Office Building, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Albany, New York, Sol Greenberg is being recognized with this esteemed honor for his courageous and dedicated service to his country; and

WHEREAS, Sol Greenberg served his country with honor and distinction from February 3, 1942 through July of 1970, as a member of the United States Navy Reserves; and

WHEREAS, After enlisting on February 3, 1942, Sol Greenberg entered the "V7" program, an accelerated officer course at Columbia University, New York City; in the summer of 1942, he was commissioned at St. John the Divine Episcopal Cathedral, Manhattan; and

WHEREAS, Sol Greenberg was assigned to the USS Sapelo where he served as a line officer on countless trans-Atlantic convoys supplying the requisite goods and materials to United States Soldiers during World War

II, stopping at ports in Murmansk, Russia, Aruba, and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and

WHEREAS, Commander Sol Greenberg was awarded the WWII Victory Medal and the Sea Service Medal for his outstanding military service; and

WHEREAS, Following his discharge from the Navy, Sol Greenberg used the GI Bill to attend Albany Law School, and subsequently, served seven terms as Albany County District Attorney; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife of 70 years, Bea, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; 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 his patriotism both at home and abroad, Sol Greenberg 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sol Greenberg upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by Albany County at its Veterans Recognition Program on June 11, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sol Greenberg.