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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Millard Bennett upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 10, 2016

WHEREAS, Senior citizens bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to the increasingly active roles they play in today's society; their past contributions and future participation are a vital part of, and valuable asset to, the fabric of community life and activity; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Millard Bennett upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging at its Annual Senior Citizens Day Celebration on Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at the Hart Theatre Lounge in The Egg, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Each May, the New York State Office for the Aging pauses to acknowledge the outstanding contributions made by older citizens during National Older Americans Month; and

WHEREAS, Members of older generations have helped build and shape our Nation to be the greatest in the world; they have defended our freedoms and values to ensure that those who come after them may have better lives; nowhere in the Nation is the legacy of their efforts more visible and more a part of the lives of all citizens than here in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed man has been called upon to contribute his time and talents to countless civic and charitable endeavors and has always given of himself unstintingly; and

WHEREAS, Millard Bennett was born and raised in Fort Edward, New York; after graduating from high school he valiantly served his country as a member of the United States Navy for five years; and

WHEREAS, Upon the completion of his military service, Millard Bennett

attended Adirondack Community College; he went on to receive a Bachelor's degree in Biology from SUNY Potsdam before attending graduate school at SUNY Plattsburgh; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding volunteer who is always willing to lend a helping hand, Millard Bennett gives of his time and energy to the Warren Center, formerly known as Westmount, to give back to those who cared for his beloved wife, Sarah, until her passing in March of 2015; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, Millard Bennett has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his one child and his three grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Millard Bennett has displayed throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, Millard Bennett, a very active and industrious man, has inspired and enriched the lives of those he serves through his volunteerism, generously sharing the wisdom gained over years of experiencing life to its fullest; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Millard Bennett upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the New York State Office for the Aging on May 10, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Millard Bennett.