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Senate Resolution No. 1543

BY: Senator ORTT

COMMENDING former Senator Thomas D. Croci for his illustrious service as a dedicated political leader and strong advocate for the people of the State of New York

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and commend those individuals of distinguished purpose whose lives have been committed to public service and the pursuit of excellence in the conduct of the legislative process in this noble Empire State; Thomas D. Croci is one such individual; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend former Senator Thomas D. Croci for his illustrious service as a dedicated political leader and strong advocate for the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, Senator Thomas D. Croci was elected in 2014 to represent the Long Island residents of the 3rd Senate District, where he served with honor and distinction from 2015 until 2018; and

WHEREAS, A former Supervisor for the Town of Islip, New York, Thomas D. Croci spent eight years on active duty as a member of the United States Navy; rising through the ranks, he was promoted to Lieutenant Commander before earning the esteemed position of Commander in 2013; and

WHEREAS, In this capacity, Thomas D. Croci served as the Terrorism Analysis Cell Team Lead at the Office of Naval Intelligence; and

WHEREAS, From 2005 until 2007, Thomas D. Croci was the Senior Duty Officer in the White House Situation Room, National Security Council; in addition, he was appointed by then President Bush in 2007, as the Deputy Executive Secretary of the Homeland Security Council; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Sayville, New York, Thomas D. Croci is a strong supporter of The Long Island Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence and Derek Jeter's Turn Two Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Every citizen in New York State has most certainly benefited, in one way or another, from the deep dedication, intelligence and commitment former Senator Thomas D. Croci brought to his work as a legislator, loyal friend, and trusted advisor; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to reflect upon those outstanding individuals who have made everlasting contributions on behalf of their fellow man and have truly left their mark on this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize and applaud the many accomplishments of former Senator Thomas D. Croci, and to wish him well in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to former New York State Senator Thomas D. Croci.