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Senate Resolution No. 1758

BY: Senator AKSHAR

MOURNING the death of Frank George, World War II veteran, ex-Prisoner of War, and devoted member of his community

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to citizens of the State of New York whose lifework and civic endeavor served to enhance the quality of life in their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Frank "Pip" George of Endicott, New York, died on Friday, January 14, 2022, at the age of 102; and

WHEREAS, A veteran of the United States Army, Frank George served in the 82nd Airborne Division during World War II; he was captured during the invasion of Sicily and became a prisoner of war in Germany where he escaped and was recaptured and escaped again to freedom after a total of 22 months; and

WHEREAS, Frank George was a past New York State Commander of the American Ex-Prisoners of War, and a member of the American Legion, Post 1700; and

WHEREAS, A retired employee of SUNY Binghamton, Frank George distinguished himself in his profession and by his sincere dedication and substantial contribution to the welfare of his community; and

WHEREAS, Predeceased by his wife, Vicki George in 2007; his brothers, Jimmy (Betty) George, Sam (Mary) George; his sister, Lee (Frank) Gaydorus; and his grandson, David George, Frank George is survived by his three children, Frank (Sheryl) George, Mick (Rose) George, and Kris (Pete) Olevano; his 10 grandchildren, Frankie George, Michael George, Kelly George, Miranda (Mario) George, Kevin Lee, Kelly Cwikla, Anthony (Michelle) Olevano, Michelle (Jim) Foley, Christina (Jason) Olevano, and James (Rose) Odom; and his eight great-grandchildren, Veronica, Brittany and Courtney George, Sadeeq Tarry, Micah Olevano, Paul and Sam Cwikla, Mykal Lee; as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins; and

WHEREAS, A congregant of St. Anthony of Padua Church in Endicott, Frank George enjoyed bowling, golfing, the Buffalo Bills and the New York Yankees; he also loved fishing with his sons and nephews and spending time with his family; and

WHEREAS, Armed with a humanistic spirit and imbued with a sense of compassion, Frank George leaves behind a legacy which will long endure the passage of time and will remain as a comforting memory to all he served and befriended; he will be deeply missed and truly merits the grateful tribute of this Legislative Body; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to mourn the death of Frank George, and to express its deepest condolences to his family; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of Frank George.