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Assembly Resolution No. 598

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COMMEMORATING the 102nd Anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York

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 patriotic organizations and individuals who devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commemorate the 102nd Anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York; and

WHEREAS, Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary consists of nearly one million members from all walks of life, and throughout its storied 102-year history, it has actively promoted patriotism, encouraged good citizenship, and steadfastly supported the principles and endeavors of the American Legion; and

WHEREAS, While originally organized to assist the American Legion, the Auxiliary has achieved its own unique identity while working side-by-side with local veterans and the community-at-large; members have donated tens of thousands of hours administering hundreds of volunteer programs and has raised millions of dollars to support its own programs, such as American Legion Family College, Americanism, Auxiliary Emergency Fund, Family Assistance and Girls State, as well as other worthwhile charities; and

WHEREAS, Committed to the four founding principles of Justice,

Freedom, Democracy and Loyalty, the Auxiliary embodies the spirit of America that has prevailed through war and peace; along with the American Legion, it stands solidly behind America and her ideals; and

WHEREAS, The success of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York is in direct correlation to the efforts of its dedicated members and volunteers, whose involvement is, and always been, an uncompromising standard of excellence in all endeavors on behalf of the organization and the community it serves; and

WHEREAS, Today, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York continues its dedication to fostering the traditions of patriotism, excellence, and commitment which have made our Nation strong; it is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize the significance of their contributions and to note their worthy endeavors which have earned the recognition and applause of all citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commemorate the 102nd Anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mary E. Farley, Department President of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York.