

RESOLUTION NO. 354

ESTABLISHING A POLICY THAT THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF AT COUNTY BUILDINGS TO HONOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES FROM ALBANY COUNTY KILLED WHILE SERVING ON ACTIVE DUTY

Introduced: 8/13/07

By Mr. Domalewicz, Aidala, Aylward, Mss. Barlette, Benedict, Messrs. Beston, Burke, Carman, Clay, Clenahan, Clouse, Collins, Commisso, Ms. Connolly, Messrs. Cotrofeld, Dawson, Ethier, Gordon, Hoblock, Horstmyer, Houghtaling, Infante, Joyce, Ms. Maffia-Tobler, Messrs. Mayo, McCoy, Ms. McKnight, Messrs. Monjeau, Morse, Nichols, Ms. Prentiss, Messrs. Reilly, Riddick, Shafer, Steck, Tunny, Ward, Mss. Wiley, Willingham and Public Safety Committee:

WHEREAS, Men and women from Albany County serving with National Guard and Reserve units ordered to active duty in Afghanistan or Iraq or as professional soldiers in various branches of the Armed Forces fighting in the war against terror are committed to defend the freedom and security of the United States, and

WHEREAS, On behalf of the citizens of Albany County, this Honorable Body wishes to demonstrate its gratitude and support for these brave men and women and to honor the legacy of those who sacrifice their lives in service to their country on the battlefields of these two regions, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That it shall be the policy of the County of Albany that the flag of the United States be flown at half-staff at the various County buildings to honor members of the United States Armed Forces from Albany County who are killed while serving on active duty in the war on terror on foreign soil, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the list of County buildings where national flags are flown includes, but is not limited to, the Court House, Harold L. Joyce County Office Building, Family Court, Judicial Center, 162 Washington Avenue, nursing homes, Correctional Facility, Hockey Facility, Sewer District, Public Works Department, Cornell Cooperative Extension and Sheriff's E-911 Unit, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Veterans Service Bureau shall be responsible for informing the Department of General Services of the death of a member of the Armed Forces from Albany County, whereupon the Department will lower the flags to half-staff for the period from notification to burial, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to send a suitably embossed proclamation expressing the sympathy of the citizens of Albany County to the family of the deceased and to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Referred to Public Safety Committee. 8/13/07

Adopted by unanimous vote. 9/10/07