

**Proclaiming Ulster County A Purple Heart County**

Referred to: The Legislative Programs, Education and Community Services Committee (Chairman Donaldson and Legislators Archer, Gregorius, Lopez and Wawro)

Chairman of the Legislative Programs, Education and Community Services Committee, David B. Donaldson, and Deputy Chairman Mary Wawro offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the County Executive on behalf of the Veterans' Service Agency; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 1782, at his headquarters in Newburgh, New York, General George Washington established the badge of Military Merit, the precursor to the modern day Purple Heart Medal; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is awarded to any member of the United States armed forces who was wounded or killed in action during combat with a declared enemy of the United States and is the oldest military decoration in use today; and

WHEREAS, Purple Heart recipients have paid the high price of freedom on behalf of us all and the residents of Ulster County are eternally grateful for their sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, many Veterans and Purple Heart recipients call Ulster County home, and are owed the utmost respect and admiration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature hereby proclaims Ulster County to be a Purple Heart County, as a means of honoring the service and sacrifice of our nation's men and women who have put themselves in harm's way and have been wounded or killed in action while protecting the freedoms that our Country holds so dear,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22                      NOES: 0  
(Absent: Legislator Roberts)

Passed Committee: Legislative Programs, Education and Community Services on June 4, 2014

FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
NONE

**Resolution No. 199      June 17, 2014**

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STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2014, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 20<sup>th</sup> Day of June in the year Two Thousand and Fourteen.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

Submitted to the County Executive this  
20<sup>th</sup> Day of June, 2014.

Approved by the County Executive this  
\_\_\_\_\_ Day of June, 2014.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella  
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk  
Ulster County Legislature

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Michael P. Hein, County Executive