

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislator Browning

**RESOLUTION NO. 263 -2011, AUTHORIZING "PROJECT SPOT LIGHT" THE ILLUMINATION OF THE H. LEE DENNISON BUILDING IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH "SERVING OUR VETERANS, ARMED FORCES AND THEIR FAMILIES"**

**WHEREAS**, National County Government Month (NCGM) is an opportunity celebrated each April by the nation's counties, and the National Association of Counties (NACO), to raise public awareness and understanding about the services and programs provided by county government; and

**WHEREAS**, each year the National Association of Counties (NACO) suggests a specific theme to guide counties in their efforts to raise public awareness about the types of programs and resources available to residents; and

**WHEREAS**, this year NACO has adopted "*Serving Our Veterans, Armed Forces and Their Families*" as the foundation for National County Government Month, and therefore is encouraging county governments to actively promote those services, resources, programs and events that are specific to our veteran population throughout the month of April; and

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County advocates for its beloved veterans and aggressively promotes veterans services throughout the year, with great care and pride, it nevertheless creates greater public awareness and additional benefit to our veteran population and their families to engage in a month of synchronized veterans advocacy with counties across the nation, herein deemed "*Project Spot Light*"; and

**WHEREAS**, because it is helpful for our veteran population to be aware that 3,068 counties across the nation provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving more than 300 million people, many of which are services geared specifically for residents who have served our country through military service; and

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County honors and thanks our residents who have served in the armed services; and wishes to remind all veterans and residents of the extensive veteran-specific programs made available by Suffolk County; and

**WHEREAS**, those programs and services include assistance in acquiring disability compensation, pension benefits, education and training, vocational rehabilitation, home loan guarantees and even life insurance, or benefits for survivors, such as: dependency and indemnity compensation; improved pension benefits; or even dependents' education through cooperation with the Federal Government; and

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County also offers assistance in securing military funeral rites, such as burial in a national cemetery, a headstone or marker and burial flag for those who have passed on; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous programs are provided directly by Suffolk County to veterans, such as, filing of claims for benefits from Federal and State agencies, filing discharge or separation papers, filing for veterans tax exemption, obtaining medals, medical or personnel

records, employment counseling, and in-home visits to assist the housebound with claims for entitlements; and

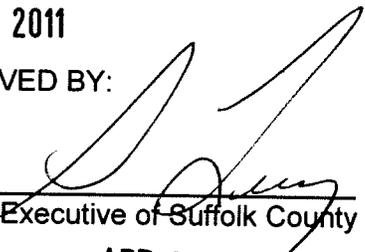
**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County will seek to highlight these valuable programs during an illumination event, dubbed herein "*Project Spot Light*" as part of our overall cooperation with National County Government Month and in keeping with the 2011 theme "*Serving Our Veterans, Armed Forces and Their Families*"; and

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County wishes to demonstrate its enthusiasm and pledge its support to this cause by illuminating the H. Lee Dennison Building; now, therefore be it

**1st RESOLVED**, that the County Department of Public Works is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section 8-2(W) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to illuminate the north side of the H. Lee Dennison Executive Office Building facing Veterans Memorial Highway at 7:15 p.m., with a blue glow, on the night of Friday, April 1, 2011, in support of National County Government Month and our Veterans, Armed Forces and their families.

DATED: **MAR 22 2011**

APPROVED BY:

  
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County Executive of Suffolk County

Date:

**APR 05 2011**

SUFFOLK COUNTY  
County Legislature  
RIVERHEAD, NY



*This is to Certify That I, TIM LAUBE, Clerk of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office, and which was duly adopted by the County Legislature of said County on*  
March 22, 2011 *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 the official seal of the County Legislature of the County of Suffolk.*

*Tim Laube*

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Clerk of the Legislature

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March 22, 2011

**Motion:**

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore,  
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Vilorio-Fisher, Barraga,  
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

**Co-Sponsors:**

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore,  
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Vilorio-Fisher, Barraga,  
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

**Second:**

Romaine, Schneiderman, Browning, Muratore,  
Eddington, Montano, Cilmi, Lindsay, Vilorio-Fisher, Barraga,  
Kennedy, Nowick, Horsley, Gregory, Stern, D'Amaro, Cooper

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1	Edward P. ROMAINE						
2	Jay H. SCHNEIDERMAN						
3	Kate M. BROWNING						
4	Thomas MURATORE						
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7	Jack EDDINGTON						
9	Ricardo MONTANO						
10	Thomas CILMI						
11	Thomas F. BARRAGA						
12	John M. KENNEDY, JR.						
13	Lynne C. NOWICK						
14	Wayne R. HORSLEY						
15	DuWayne GREGORY						
16	Steven H. STERN						
17	Lou D'AMARO						
18	Jon COOPER						
5	Vivian VILORIA-FISHER, D.P.O.						
8	William J. LINDSAY, P.O.	✓					
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**MOTION**

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**RESOLUTION DECLARED**

ADOPTED

NOT ADOPTED

*Tim Laube*

Tim Laube, Clerk of the Legislature

Roll Call \_\_\_\_\_ Voice Vote