



Legislation Text

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Res. No. 1324

Resolution calling on the City to recognize both the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor and the sacrifices of our military members during World War II on December 7th

By Council Members Ulrich, Richards and Gentile

Whereas, On December 7th, 1941, the Japanese Navy launched a surprise military strike on a United States naval base at Pearl Harbor; and

Whereas, This surprise attack, which killed more than 2,400 Americans and wounded nearly 1,800 more, shocked the American people and precipitated the United States' entry into World War II; and

Whereas, President Franklin D. Roosevelt called it "a date which will live in infamy," and the War in the Pacific did not conclude until September of 1945; and

Whereas, According to the National World War II Museum, the United States ultimately lost more than 400,000 soldiers during WWII; and

Whereas, Statistics from the Department of the Army show that the United States lost more than 100,000 soldiers in the Pacific Theater of World War II; and

Whereas, The National World War II Museum has also found that just 620,000 of the 16 million Americans who served in World War II were still alive in 2016; and

Whereas, The magnitude of the sacrifices of the Greatest Generation, as well as the fact that their numbers are dwindling with the passage of time means that recognition of their heroism remains as pertinent as ever; and

Whereas, Moreover, formal recognition of those who served our country with such distinction would reaffirm New York's commitment to its 210,000 veterans; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the City to recognize both the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor and the sacrifices of our military members during World War II on December 7th

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