

Resolution No: #2107

Subject: Establish a State Veterans Cemetery in the town of Ripley

Origin: Chautauqua County

WHEREAS, The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), National Cemetery Administration (NCA) administers a Veterans Cemetery Grant Program to assist in providing gravesites for Veterans in those areas where VA's national cemeteries cannot fully satisfy their burial needs; and

WHEREAS, Grants can only be used for the purpose of establishing, expanding or improving Veteran's cemeteries; and

WHEREAS, VA cannot provide grants to private organizations, counties, cities or other government agencies; and

WHEREAS, VA may grant aid only to states, federally recognized tribal government or U.S. territories, and

WHEREAS, New York State Executive Law, Article 17, Section 365, New York State Veteran's Cemeteries, establishes a program of New York state Veteran's cemeteries and provides the procedures to establish a State Veteran's cemetery, and

WHEREAS, a land owner in the town of Ripley, New York is willing to donate 40 acres of land to establish a Veteran's cemetery; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the American Legion, Chautauqua County, assembled at a regular County meeting in Cassadaga, New York on April 23, 2021, that the County American Legion strongly support the establishment of a Veteran's cemetery located on the 40-acre location in Ripley, New York; and, be it further

RESOLVED, By the American Legion, Department of New York assembled at Department Convention in Albany, New York on July 29, 30, 31, 2021. That the American Legion, Department of New York urge New York State to support establishment of a Veteran's cemetery on a 40 acre land donation in Ripley, New York, and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That if approved, the Department Legislative Committee develop and submit a letter of support for the Veteran's cemetery and a copy of this resolution to the State Department of Veteran Services, appropriate state legislative committees and the New York State Governor

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FOR CONVENTION COMMITTEE USE

Approved X Rejected

Approved with Amendments

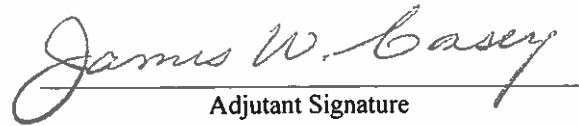
Consolidated with

Referred to Standing Committee on

Received and Recorded

Other Action

Signature
(Chairman)


Adjutant Signature

 New York

Department

Below section to be completed when resolution
is submitted from another authorized source.

Michael R. Suter, Chairman

Name

Department Resolutions Committee

Title