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KENNEDY MARCHES IN MEMORY OF THE FALLEN



(Assemblyman Michael Fitzpatrick, Legislator Rob Trotta, Legislator Leslie Kennedy, and Comptroller John Kennedy)

May 30, 2016 – Marking the 148th year since its inception, Legislator Leslie Kennedy (R. Nesconset) marched in several Memorial Day parades throughout the weekend. Conceived in 1868 in the aftermath of the War Between the States and subsequently instituted as a federal holiday in 1971, Memorial Day honors the men and women who lost their lives in service of their country. On Sunday May 29th, Legislator Kennedy marched alongside several other members of the Suffolk County Government and veterans belonging to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4927 of Centereach, in gratitude for service and in remembrance of their fallen brothers-in-arms.



(Comptroller John Kennedy, County Executive Steve Bellone, Legislator Tom Cilmi, Legislator Tom Muratore, and Legislator Leslie Kennedy with VFW members)

"These brave men and women risked their lives fighting for our country and returned to become family and friends, parents and spouses," Legislator Kennedy remarked, "and we will always be grateful to them for their service. However, we must also remember those who did not return, whose dedication to their nation was no less than that of those who stand before us today." Standing with several Veterans in the subsequent memorial ceremony, Legislator Kennedy expressed her hope that we would remember the sacrifices made to protect our nation not merely on Memorial Day, but on all days.

Following the parade in Centereach on Sunday, Legislator Kennedy attended two other ceremonies on Memorial Day itself in Ronkonkoma and Smithtown alongside her husband, Suffolk County Comptroller John Kennedy, and several fellow local Legislators.

For information on other community events feel free to contact Legislator Kennedy's office directly at (631)-854-3735 or contact us on Facebook at [facebook.com/legislatorlesliekennedy](https://www.facebook.com/legislatorlesliekennedy).

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