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BRIGHTON, NEW YORK TO PASS VETERANS' MANDATORY FUNDING RESOLUTION

Brighton, New York in the county of Monroe is the first municipality in the country to adopt a resolution calling for full federal mandatory funding of the Department of Veterans Affairs healthcare system.

The mandatory funding resolution will be voted on tomorrow evening during the Brighton Town Board Meeting and is expected to pass unanimously. The meeting will be chaired by Brighton Town Supervisor, Sandra L. Frankel. The Town Board Meeting will be held at the Brighton Town Hall, 2300 Elmwood Avenue in downtown Brighton beginning at 7pm. The public is invited.

Once the resolution is passed and signed, the Town Clerk of the Town of Brighton will be directed to transmit a certified copy of the resolution to the President of the United States George W. Bush, United States Senators, Hon. Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Hon. Charles Schumer, and Members of the House of Representatives, Hon. Louise Slaughter and Hon. John R. Kuhl.

Brighton Town Supervisor Sandra L. Frankel and fellow town council members are urging neighboring New York cities and townships to follow their lead and support full mandatory funding for veterans' healthcare.

As of the census of 2000, there were 35,588 people, 15,854 households, and 8,687 families residing in the town of Brighton, New York.

The mandatory funding Resolution, (OFFE MF#1) is the creation of Operation Firing For Effect (OFFE), a grassroots veterans rights organization headquartered in Rochester, New York. OFFE National Chairman, Gene Simes will be in attendance and available for questions after the meeting is adjourned.

Operation Firing For Effect is a subsidiary of **Veterans For Veteran Connection Inc.**, a registered 501-3C non-profit organization devoted to improving and protecting the services and entitlements earned by our men and women in uniform.