SMULLEN IS FIGHTING FOR HIS FELLOW VETERANS





Retired Marine Corps Colonel Smullen has served in combat for our country. He knows the sacrifices veterans and their families make for us. This is why he's asked for New York to step up and do its part to serve them.

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SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GOLD STAR FAMILIES

Smullen loudly and proudly fought to expand the SUNY/CUNY scholarship program for the families of fallen military personnel when the Assembly Majority-controlled committee rejected it. His efforts brought significant attention to the matter, forcing the governor to instruct the NYS Higher Education Services Corp. to expand the program. (A.2991, Higher Education, 4.9.2019)

RESTORED PEER-TO-PEER COUNSELING FUNDS

Smullen fought to restore and increase funding in the state budget for the Joseph P. Dwyer Program which supports peer-to-peer veterans' counseling programs throughout the state. (A.2003-D)

STIGMA REDUCTION FOR MEMBERS OF ARMED SERVICES AND VETERANS

Improving the mental health and well-being of our veterans requires education and compassionate understanding of mental health and substance abuse issues. Smullen voted to increase education efforts regarding treatment and services available to those who serve in the military. (Chapter 378, L.2019)

EXPANSION OF MILITARY BALLOTS

Smullen also supported the creation of military ballots in public education votes so those enlisted are able to weigh in on the school board, school budget, library budget and related referenda. (S.5184)

Don't be afraid to ask for help!
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