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Senator Flexer, Representative Hennessey, Senator Henri, Representative Yaccarino, and the entire membership of the Veterans' Affairs Committee, thank you for allowing me to testify in support of *H.B. 5110 AN ACT CONCERNING A VETERANS' DAY OBSERVANCE AT THE ROCKY HILL VETERANS' HOME*. This bill seeks to require that the Rocky Hill Veterans' Home offer the ceremonial activities associated with the recognition of Veterans' Day.

On November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014, the Program Review and Investigations Committee held a Public Hearing at the Rocky Hill Veterans' Home. While listening to residents' testimony at the hearing, it came to my attention that there is no observance of Veterans' Day at the facility on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

It is beyond comprehension as to why the ceremonial exercises involved with the celebration of Veterans' Day are not offered at the Veterans' facility. The men and women residing in such a facility deserve the respect and opportunity to participate in Veteran's Day activities. Consequently, I would urge you and your colleagues to support this legislation to show our appreciation for the sacrifice of these veteran residents.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christie M. Carpino".

Christie Carpino  
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