When he was 14, however, the chance to celebrate in Greece caused him to realize that the Greeks did something special on October 28, 1940. Metaxas, a Greek politician, decided to give him that opportunity. After the war, Metaxas was still in office, and the Greek resistance had been recognized by the international community. That recognition prompted a call to arms, and the “Marchal Plan” and the grants of the “liberated Liberty Ships” helped the Greek merchant fleet. Malamos was part of the team led by Nikos Georgakos who rebuilt the Greek merchant fleet. He also worked to help young Greeks who were part of the new generation of SMEs (small and medium-sized enterprises) and supervised the construction of the “Marchal Plan” and the grants of the “liberated Liberty Ships”.

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Living the full Diaspora experience, Greek school, and he led the effort to build the AHEPA Storming Daphne #296 senior citizens complex. “I want to apply the same principles three times,” he said, but his plan was not over – he also made substantial financial contributions and performed the construction every day after work.

AHEPA Iliou Pilos presents events throughout the year about OXI Day, the Greek Orthodoxy, etc. – ‘OXI Day’ was part of his life, but first his grandfather immigrated to America to help Greece through the war, Greece was devastated, but the Americans recognized what the heroism in Greece was about. By the time I was 17 I read some books about the heroism of the people in Greece, constituting a significant contribution to the struggle. Mike Manatos, Executive Director

The Greeks’ actions compelled the likes of Franklin D. Roosevelt and Winston Churchill to help. The commemoration of Oxi Day should never lose its luster, because money is not everything. The pride and reverence generated by his ‘OXI Day’ enlightment, and the sacrifices of those Hellenes before him for Greece, his希腊 is proud that Chapter 296 restored the parish’s Greek structure from a different perspective, and to benefit from American life, and AHEPA was a powerful director of Greece-America Relations for Greece.

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Franklin D. Roosevelt, US President 1933 - 1945

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Oxi Day: What It Means to Me

By Stavros Stavridis

This article is based on an oral history interview held by the author three years ago. It has been adapted and expanded to reflect the recent events leading up to Oxi Day.

On October 28, 2019, a day that is steeped in history and a symbol of the Greek people's resistance against occupation, Greeks around the world will commemorate Oxi Day. This day marks the 76th anniversary of the Greek people's historic response to the Axis forces' demand to accept the occupation of Greece.

The event began on October 28, 1940, when Prime Minister Ioannis Metaxas, responding to the German military's threat to invade Greece, defiantly declared: "No" to the Axis' demands.

The spirit of Oxi Day is one of pride, unity, and determination. It is a day to remember the courage and resilience of the Greek people who stood firm against the Axis occupiers.

Oxi Day is a day to reflect on the values that underpin Greek culture and society. It celebrates the spirit of resistance and the determination to defend one's homeland. It is a day to honor the memory of those who sacrificed their lives in the struggle for freedom.

As we commemorate Oxi Day, let us remember the lessons of the past and be inspired by the resilience of the Greek people. Let us stand together to defend our values and our way of life. Let us celebrate Oxi Day with pride and dignity.

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Pappas, Sarbanes, Bilirakis Introduce “Oxi Day” Resolution to Honor the Heroic Greek People during World War II

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Rep. Andy Allsbrooks, John Sarbanes, and Louie Gohmert, members of the Greek-American Caucus, introduced a resolution on October 28, 2019 honoring the Greek people for their contributions to the Allied win in World War II. The resolution, introduced by Rep. Allsbrooks, was co-sponsored by Reps. Sarbanes and Gohmert.

The resolution highlights the role of the Greeks in the war, stating: “The heroic actions of the Greek people during World War II, including their defense of their nation against Nazi Germany, played a vital role in the Allied victory.” The resolution also recognizes the contributions of Greek Americans to the Allied war effort, stating: “Greek Americans, many of whom served with valor in the U.S. Armed Forces, made significant contributions to the Allied cause.”

The resolution calls on Congress to honor the Greek people and their contributions to the Allied victory by passing the resolution. It also encourages the Greek government to recognize the contributions of Greek Americans to the Allied war effort.

The resolution is supported by a bipartisan group of Members of Congress, including Rep. Steve Scalise, Chair of the House Republican Conference; Rep. Dan Kildee, Chair of the House Democratic Caucus; and Rep. Louie Gohmert, Chair of the House Freedom Caucus. The resolution will be considered by the House of Representatives at a future date.

The resolution is a step towards recognizing the contributions of the Greek people and their descendants to the Allied victory in World War II. It also highlights the importance of commemorating the role of Greek Americans in the war effort.

Alex Spanos (Posthumously) among the Honorees at Washington Oxi Day Celebration

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Greek-Cypriot hero Alexander Spanos, who served during World War II, was posthumously honored at the 2019 Washington Oxi Day Celebration. Spanos, who served in the U.S. Air Force during the war, was recognized for his contributions to the Allied cause.

Spanos was presented with the National Hellenic Victory Award, which is given to individuals who have made significant contributions to the Greek-American community. The award was presented by the National Hellenic Museum, which is located in Washington, D.C.

Spanos was a member of the 369th Infantry Regiment, which was known as the “Harlem Hellfighters.” The regiment was made up of African-American soldiers who fought in World War II. Spanos served in the European Theater of Operations, where he earned several medals for his service.

After the war, Spanos returned to his family’s business in Stockton, California, where he helped his father run the business. Spanos passed away in 2009, and his family has continued to operate the business since his death.

The Washington Oxi Day Celebration is held each year to commemorate the Greek resistance against the Axis Powers during World War II. The celebration includes a variety of events, including a wreath-laying ceremony at The Tomb of the Unknowns, a concert featuring Greek music, and a parade commemorating the Greek resistance.

The event celebrates the heroism of the Greek people and their contributions to the Allied victory during World War II. It also recognizes the contributions of Greek Americans to the war effort and highlights the importance of commemorating the role of Greek Americans in the war.

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