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Senate Resolution No. 2536

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING David Bailey upon the occasion of his retirement after 34 years of dedicated service to Hamilton College

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals of remarkable integrity and character whose endeavors have enhanced the quality of education in this great State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate David Bailey upon the occasion of his retirement after 34 years of dedicated service to Hamilton College; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Clinton, New York, David Bailey began his illustrious career with Hamilton College in 1990; and

WHEREAS, As Winslow Chair of Modern Science and Professor of Geosciences, David Bailey's research focuses on the history of igneous and tectonic activity in the northeastern United States and on the mineralogy of New York State; and

WHEREAS, David Bailey is a recipient of National Science Foundation ILI and CCLI grants and is a research associate of the New York State Museum; he has written numerous peer-reviewed papers, conference abstracts and field trip guides; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, David Bailey has taught several courses, including Principles of Geosciences: Earth Resources and the Environment, Mineralogy, Origins of Natural Systems, Igneous & Metamorphic Petrology, and Volcanology; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, active within Hamilton College, this esteemed professor has given tirelessly of his time and energies as: Chair, Geosciences Department, 2015; Mentor, Miami Posse 1, 2010-14; Acting chair, Geosciences Department, 2009-10, 2013; Committee on Academic Standing, 2008-11; Chair, Harassment and Sexual Misconduct Grievance Board, 2006-07; Chair, Committee on Academic Policy, 2005-06; Harassment and Sexual Misconduct Grievance Board, 2004-06; Committee on Academic Policy, 2003-05; Co-chair; Geoarchaeology Program, 2001-present; Science Building Planning Committee, 1996-2005; and Radiation Safety Committee, 1993-present; and

WHEREAS, With a steadfast and unwavering commitment to his profession, David Bailey is a member of the New York State Academy of Mineralogy, New York State Geological Association, Mineralogical Society of America, and the Geological Society of America, as well as a research associate of the New York State Museum; and

WHEREAS, David Bailey earned his doctorate from Washington State University; his dissertation focused on geochemistry and petrogenesis of Miocene volcanic rocks in the Powder River Volcanic Field, northeast Oregon; and

WHEREAS, A caring, competent, and committed leader, David Bailey's character and integrity are the hallmarks of his life and work as an educational leader, a community volunteer and as a person; and

WHEREAS, The residents of Clinton, New York, are indeed fortunate

and blessed to have had such a dedicated and respected educational leader; his wisdom and contributions to Hamilton College have truly made a difference in the lives of those fortunate enough to have worked with him; and

WHEREAS, A significant contributor to education in the State of New York, David Bailey has continually demonstrated an impressive dedication, an unparalleled devotion and an unremitting enthusiasm for the quality of the educational programs and opportunities offered for the benefit of its faculty and students, as well as for the entire community; and

WHEREAS, In completing his service, David Bailey leaves behind more than mere bricks and mortar; he leaves behind a legacy to the students of Hamilton College and to the residents of Central New York; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate David Bailey upon the occasion of his retirement after 34 years of dedicated service to Hamilton College, and to wish him continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to David Bailey.