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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Coach Ken Strube of the Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball Team upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of outstanding service

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the people of the State of New York to recognize those individuals within our midst who have contributed greatly to the quality of our lives by providing exceptional leadership and commitment to our youth; and

WHEREAS, It is acknowledged that athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this State, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and, further, that excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, all of which actions are nurtured by dedicated coaching; and WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Coach Ken Strube of the Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball Team upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of outstanding service; and

WHEREAS, Ken Strube has been the Head Coach of the Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball Team since 1980; his career record is a remarkable 571-153 for an outstanding winning percentage of .789; he is the Section 2 All-Time Career Wins Leader; and

WHEREAS, The Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball teams coached by Ken Strube were the Class AA NYSPHSAA Champions in 1988, 1990, 1993 and 1999; they were the Class AA Regional Champions in 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1999, 2004 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Coach Strube's Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball teams were the Section 2 Class AA Champions in 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1999, 2004, 2008 and 2010; and were the Suburban Scholastic Council Champions in 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2008,

2009, 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Basketball Coaches Association of New York Hall of Fame, Ken Strube is also a member of the Capital District Basketball Hall of Fame and the Shenendehowa Athletic Hall of Fame; and WHEREAS, Coach Ken Strube was a finalist in 2008 for the WBCA National Coach of the Year Award; in that year, he was also the WBCA Region Coach of the Year and WBCA Nike All-American Game Coach; in 1990, and again in 2008, he was the Basketball Coaches Association of New York Coach of the Year; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Sportswriters Association named Coach Ken Strube as Coach of the Year in 1988, 1990, 1993 and 1999; he was Section 2 Coach of the Year in 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1999, 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011; he was named Suburban Scholastic Council Coach of the Year in 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Albany, New York, Ken Strube and his wife, Jo-Ann, are the proud parents of two sons, Joe and Frank; and WHEREAS, Coach Ken Strube of the Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball Team has a deep commitment to supporting female athletes and elevating their athletic performance on the court; he has a true passion for the game and competition, and a devotion to preserving the integrity

of the sport; he is dedicated to mentoring young female athletes on and off the basketball court; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Coach Ken Strube of the Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball Team upon the occasion of his retirement after many years of outstanding service; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Coach Ken Strube of the Shenendehowa High School Girls Basketball Team.