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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Doug Kent upon the occasion of his induction into the Professional Bowlers Association's Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those exemplary athletes who excel in professional athletics, distinguishing themselves through notable achievements and representing the great Empire State with pride and determination; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Doug Kent upon the occasion of his induction into the Professional Bowlers Association's Hall of Fame, to be celebrated on Saturday, March 30, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Doug Kent of Newark, New York, the winner of 10 Professional Bowlers Association Tour titles including four major championships, will be inducted during the PBA's Hall of Fame dinner in Indianapolis, Indiana, as part of PBA Tournament of Champions week; and

WHEREAS, Doug Kent joined the PBA in 1988 and was voted as one of the 50 Greatest Players in PBA History during the organization's 50th anniversary celebration in 2009; he is the winner of six standard PBA Tour titles, and won the 1991 United States Bowling Congress Masters for his first title; and

WHEREAS, Later adding the 2002 PBA World Championship, Doug Kent won both the USBC Masters and Denny's PBA World Championship in 2006 on his way to earning Chris Schenkel PBA Player of the Year honors; he is one of only nine players ever to win two major titles in the same season; and

WHEREAS, Currently operating two bowling centers in his retirement from PBA Tour competition, Doug Kent will join his brother-in-law, Parker Bohn III, in the PBA Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Chrissie, their children, Natalie and Jake, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, A gifted athlete, Doug Kent has become a role model in bowling, coaching the Newark High School boys and girls bowling squads, both of whom won their crowns this year in the Finger Lakes East; his character and achievements stand as a sterling example and inspiration to all who would aspire to success; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Doug Kent upon the occasion of his induction into the Professional Bowlers Association's Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Doug Kent.