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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus of Herricks High School upon the occasion of joining the elite 1,000 point club in their varsity basketball careers

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body takes pleasure in honoring talented high school athletes who distinguish themselves and their community through outstanding athletic performance; and

WHEREAS, 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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to congratulate Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus of Herricks High School upon the occasion of joining the elite 1,000 point club in their varsity basketball careers; and

WHEREAS, During the 2012-2013 girls and boys Herricks High School basketball season, seniors Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus both joined the elite 1,000 point club in their varsity basketball careers; and

WHEREAS, Alison Ricchiuti began playing basketball as a third-grader on her CYO team; she joined the Herricks High School varsity girls basketball team as a freshman; and

WHEREAS, On her way to achieving the 1,000 point mark in her career, Alison Ricchiuti averaged 22.5 points per game during the 2012-2013 basketball season; she garnered her 1,000th point on December 18, 2012, in a game against Great Neck South High School; and

WHEREAS, Alison Ricchiuti has been a three-letter athlete through her distinguished high school athletic career; she has lettered in soccer, lacrosse and basketball; in basketball, she has been all-county twice and all-conference once; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Fellus started his basketball career at the age of five; he became a starter on the Herricks High School varsity boys

basketball team midway through his freshman year; and WHEREAS, Joining the elite 1,000 point club on January 11, 2013, against Bellemore Kennedy High School, Andrew Fellus averaged 26 points per game during the season; he was all-county in 2011-2012 and ranked as one of the top 100 basketball players in New York State; and WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice; the dedication of Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus to basketball is a year-round, everyday commitment; they are highly focused and have developed a matchless work ethic; and WHEREAS, The exemplary performance of both Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus are reflective of their dedication, determination and personal commitment; their achievements stand as a hallmark of what is best in the families, schools and communities across New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus of Herricks High School upon the occasion of joining the elite 1,000 point club in their varsity basketball careers, and to commend them for the enduring honor they have brought to their family, school and community; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alison Ricchiuti and Andrew Fellus.