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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Rick DiCamillo upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to outstanding athletes who have distinguished themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Rick DiCamillo upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame, to be celebrated at its 18th Annual Hall of Fame and Reunion Dinner on Monday, September 21, 2015, at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady, New York; and

WHEREAS, Rick DiCamillo is a 1954 graduate of Mont Pleasant High School, where he distinguished himself by his many notable achievements in cross-country and track; and

WHEREAS, This remarkable athlete is the 1952 Class A Sectional Cross-Country Champion and the winner of the Grout Run, Proctor Invitational, and Fordham University Eastern Interscholastic Championships in 1953; he also took first place at St. John's Interscholastic Run and the NYU Interscholastic Run; and

WHEREAS, Undefeated in the mile run as a senior, Rick DiCamillo set a meet record at the Utica Invitational, and was the 1954 New York State one mile champion; in that same year, he ran the second fastest mile in the nation that year; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards for his many achievements, Rick DiCamillo was named the 1954 Schenectady Trackman of the Year, and won the 1954 Norman E. Kitching Award; and

WHEREAS, Rick DiCamillo was selected as a High School All-American, and received a scholarship to attend the University of Notre Dame; during his college career, he set a record for the Notre Dame freshman three-mile course, and won the 1957 Central Collegiate Conference Indoor Mile with a record time; and

WHEREAS, Following graduation, Rick DiCamillo had a distinguished 20-year career in the United States Air Force where he was awarded eight Air Medals for missions he completed in Vietnam, including the Distinguished Flying Cross in 1969; he retired with the esteemed rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and was later employed at the Pentagon; and

WHEREAS, This auspicious occasion presents a unique opportunity for this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to Rick DiCamillo; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Rick DiCamillo for his extraordinary athletic accomplishments which are a tribute to his skill, dedication and commitment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations with praise and pride to honor Rick DiCamillo upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Rick DiCamillo, and the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame.