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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Eugene Napierski upon the occasion of his induction into the 2015 Athletic Hall of Fame by the Christian Brothers Academy on October 3, 2015

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those individuals whose exceptional athletic prowess leaves an enduring legacy in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Eugene Napierski upon the occasion of his induction into the 2015 Athletic Hall of Fame by the Christian Brothers Academy, celebrated at its Induction Ceremony on Saturday, October 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Napierski proudly joins his Uncle Raymond Napierski who is also a member of the Christian Brothers Academy (CBA) Athletic Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, A member of the class of 1961, Eugene Napierski is an important figure in the history of the CBA athletics program; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding athlete, Eugene Napierski played Varsity Football for three years, and participated on both the Track and Tennis Team for two years; and

WHEREAS, Remembered as number 21 on the Varsity Football Team, Eugene Napierski was instrumental in helping his team remain undefeated throughout their 1958-1959 season; in addition, he helped the team win the Mythical City Championship during the 1960-1961 season; and

WHEREAS, As a Senior, Eugene Napierski was named to the All-Albany Football Team; and

WHEREAS, After graduation, Eugene Napierski earned his Bachelor's degree in History from Siena College in 1965; he then went on to graduate cum laude from Albany Law School in 1968; and

WHEREAS, A successful attorney, Eugene Napierski has been named Best Lawyer in America and Super Lawyer; in addition, he was honored as a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and was selected as one of the Top 25 Lawyers in Upstate New York; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his two sons, Eugene, and Daniel; two daughters, Christine and Michelle, and his 10 beloved grandchildren, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Athletes such as Eugene Napierski provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of student-athletes in their athletic journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Napierski has clearly been an inspiration to the youth of the SS Seward Institute, as well as to the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of public education by providing their skills and talents to our students and our schools; now, therefore, be

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Eugene Napierski upon the occasion of his induction into the 2015 Athletic Hall of Fame by the Christian Brothers Academy on October 3, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Eugene Napierski.