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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Jeff Anastasia upon the occasion of his induction into the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those esteemed individuals who distinguish themselves through exceptional performance, outstanding achievement, and peerless commitment to excellence; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Jeff Anastasia upon the occasion of his induction into the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame in Glens Falls, New York, on Sunday, March 13, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Anastasia, affectionately known to his players as Coach A, is a graduate of Olean High School, where he has led the boys basketball program for 29 years; and

WHEREAS, A talented young athlete, Jeff Anastasia was an outstanding high school basketball player on the Olean High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Anastasia is widely regarded by players and coaches as a passionate, dedicated and inspirational coach, leading the Olean Huskies to over 525 wins in his 29 years as a coach, with an 80% winning record; and

WHEREAS, Under his tutelage, Coach Anastasia's teams have been successful in 18 League Championships, 11 Sectional Titles, five Final Four appearances, and two State Championships in 2008 and 2016; from 2007-2016, his teams won nine of ten Sectional Championships; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Anastasia has been honored as Coach of the Year numerous times; in 2008, he was named BCANY New Balance NYS Boys Coach of the Year; in 2012, he was inducted into the Cattaraugus County Sports Hall

of Fame; he is also featured on the Olean High School Wall of Fame and has been awarded the NYSPHSAA Section VI Coaches Sportsmanship Award and the City of Olean Service to Youth Award; and

WHEREAS, This dedicated coach serves on both the Section 6 Committee and the Big 30 Committee; he shares his knowledge and insight as a speaker at basketball clinics and camps; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Anastasia has been an inspiration to basketball players, their families, and the Olean community for nearly 30 years, and accordingly merits recognition for his tremendous passion and competitive spirit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Jeff Anastasia upon the occasion on his induction into the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jeff Anastasia.