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Senate Resolution No. 2136

BY: Senator GOLDEN

HONORING Duke Castiglione upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Dynamite Youth Center Foundation, Inc. on May 24, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that the quality and character of life in this great Empire State is indelibly enriched by the faithful and untiring efforts of those individuals who have helped shape the history of broadcasting in their area; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Duke Castiglione upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Dynamite Youth Center Foundation, Inc., to be recognized at its 46th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at the Prospect Park Picnic House, Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Dynamite Youth Center (DYC) was founded in 1970, and is the first therapeutic community in New York State designed specifically for adolescents and young adults; in its 46 years, the organization continues to retain its reputation as a model of excellence; and

WHEREAS, Born June 21, 1973, Joseph "Duke" Castiglione, Jr. is an American sports journalist who has worked for WNYW Fox 5 in New York City since June of 2007; he is also the host of "Sports Extra", prior to

which he worked as a fill-in sports anchor and reporter at WHDH-TV, the NBC affiliate in Boston; and

WHEREAS, A 1996 graduate of Stonehill College, Duke Castiglione grew up in Marshfield, Massachusetts, where he spent time as a substitute teacher at the town's high school; he began his broadcasting career at WGGB-TV, the ABC affiliate in Springfield, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Duke Castiglione has also served WCBS-TV CBS 2 in New York, where he was the weekday morning sports anchor until 2006; his first New York job was hosting "Sports on 1", a nightly call-in show, beginning in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious broadcasting career, Duke Castiglione has also been the guest host on several television and radio programs for ESPN, including "Sports Center" and "Around the Horn", and was a field reporter for ESPN's baseball coverage during the 2005 and 2006 seasons; and

WHEREAS, Duke Castiglione is the proud recipient of the Associated Press Award for Best Sports Show and two Journalist Awards for his interviews with Lawrence Taylor and Bernard King; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Duke Castiglione upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Dynamite Youth Center Foundation, Inc. on May 24,

2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Duke Castiglione.