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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Mark Piscitelli upon the occasion of his induction into the Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to outstanding individuals who distinguish themselves through exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and fully in accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Mark Piscitelli upon the occasion of his induction into the Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame; this auspicious occasion will be celebrated at the Induction Ceremony, on Sunday, October 13, 2013, at the New York Chiropractic College in Seneca Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, While attending Mynderse Academy, Mark Piscitelli, class of 1969, lettered in football, basketball, and baseball, excelling in each; he was the recipient of the SMS Aldo Beatini Award for the Outstanding Mynderse Academy Athlete; and

WHEREAS, Mark Piscitelli's football exploits remain impressive to this day; his longest run from scrimmage was 95 yds, and, in one game, he carried the ball 51 times; during his junior and senior years he rushed for over 1,300 yards and 1,200 yards, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Mark Piscitelli was named to the 1968 All-American High School Football Team as a Running Back, and he was also chosen to the All-State Team; Section V Team; and Greater Rochester Team in both his junior and senior years; and

WHEREAS, Mark Piscitelli lettered in Varsity Baseball in each of his four years in high school; he had the highest batting average his sophomore, junior, and senior years with a .356; .430; and .465 respectively, and was named Most Valuable Player his junior and senior years; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mark Piscitelli was a member of the 1964-65 undefeated (14-0) St. Patrick's CYO Basketball Team; and

WHEREAS, Not content to focus only on sports during his time at Mynderse Academy, Mark Piscitelli was a High Honor Roll Student, a Member of the Student Council, Student of the Month, and member of Block M; and

WHEREAS, After graduation from high school, this fine athlete continued his stellar achievements; he attended Cornell University where he lettered in Freshman Baseball and Varsity Football, and was a member of the 1971 Cornell Ivy League Co-Championship Football Team; in 1970, he was among the Nation's leaders in Kickoff Returns; and

WHEREAS, Although a shoulder injury shortened his football career during his junior year at Cornell, Mark Piscitelli's commitment to excellence translated into a successful professional life; upon graduation, he joined Carnation Company in Long Island, New York, eventually retiring as Director of Nestle USA's Retail Sales for the Northeast Division in 2009, after a career of 35 years; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Baldwinsville, New York, Mark Piscitelli has been accompanied throughout by his wife, Ginny, and their daughters, Jennifer and Jessica, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such outstanding accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized by all citizens of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Mark Piscitelli 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 Mark Piscitelli upon the occasion of his induction into the Mynderse Academy Athletic Hall of Fame; and be it

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RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mark Piscitelli.