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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Robert Taurino upon the occasion of becoming a member of the 1,000 point club of the Roscoe Varsity

Basketball Team

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated coaching and strategic planning; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this State, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to commend Robert

Taurino upon the occasion of becoming a member of the 1,000 point club

of the Roscoe Varsity Basketball Team; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taurino, a senior guard for Roscoe High School's Varsity Basketball Team, was only 16 points shy of reaching the 1,000 point mark of his varsity career upon entering the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association Division VI game against Livingston Manor, on January 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, With three minutes left in the first half, Robert Taurino hit a three-pointer from the top of the key to give him an even 1,000 points, and to widen Roscoe's lead to 29-15; the team went on to win the game 66-54 with Taurino putting up 29 points for the Blue Devils; and WHEREAS, At the close of the game, Robert Taurino was presented the game ball by an attendee and class of 1991 player who is also a member of the 1,000 point club; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taurino is one of only six players in Roscoe High School history to reach this exceptional milestone; and WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by Robert Taurino is due in great part to the efforts of his Grandfather and Coach, Fred Ahart, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, Robert Taurino's overall record and average of 23 points per game is outstanding and he was loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those young people who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this exemplary athlete now stands honorably, with just pride in his accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by his coaches, teachers, and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Robert Taurino upon the occasion of becoming a member of the 1,000 point club of the Roscoe Varsity Basketball Team on January 30, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Robert Taurino.