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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring William Reinisch posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Bishop Maginn High School Hall of Fame as a Student-Athlete on May 2, 2014

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

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor William Reinisch posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Bishop Maginn High School Hall of Fame as a Student-Athlete, to be celebrated at its Induction Dinner on Friday, May 2, 2014, at Shaker Ridge Country Club, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, A 1951 graduate of Cathedral Academy, William Reinisch, affectionately known as Billy, lettered in football, basketball and baseball; and

WHEREAS, Billy Reinisch pitched for Scully Post in the State Championship game of the American Legion in 1950, and was considered one of the finest pitchers in Albany, New York; he also started at center on the football team; and

WHEREAS, Upon his graduation from High School, Billy Reinisch enlisted in the United States Navy in 1952 and honorably served for two years on the Commissioned Destroyer, The USS Strong; and

WHEREAS, For 35 years, Billy Reinisch worked for the New York Telephone Company where he served for two decades as a Union Vice-President and President; and

WHEREAS, Billy Reinisch was the loving husband to Natalie Tomasone, and together the couple raised six sons, Billy Jr., Jim, Joe, Tom, Pete

and Paul; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which Billy Reinisch displayed throughout his life; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor William Reinisch posthumously upon the occasion of his induction into the Bishop Maginn High School Hall of Fame as a Student-Athlete; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the family of William Reinisch.