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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Richard D. Hunt upon the occasion of his induction into the Greater Utica Sports Hall of Fame on June 8, 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 Richard D. Hunt upon the occasion of his induction into the Greater Utica Sports Hall of Fame, to be celebrated on Sunday, June 8, 2014, at the Radisson Hotel-Utica Centre, Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, A standout athlete at New Hartford High School, Richard D. Hunt lettered in baseball, basketball and cross country; and

WHEREAS, Awarded a full athletic scholarship to Siena College, Richard D. Hunt served as the Captain of the baseball team, during which time he made Career Leader Lists for complete games pitched (16) and strike outs per 9 innings (6.88); he was also on Season Leader Lists for complete games pitched (7) and ERA (1.54); and

WHEREAS, Richard D. Hunt later played with the Milford Macs Semi-Professional Baseball Club, ran 23 15K Boilermakers, five marathons, and 16 sprint triathlons, including his 18th place finish at the USA Senior Games in Palo Alto; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he won more than 300 games as the Varsity Boys and Girls Soccer Coach at Clinton before serving 14 years as the high school Principal; he also coached modified football and basketball, JV baseball, and was the Hamilton College Baseball Pitching Coach for more than two decades; and

WHEREAS, Richard D. Hunt dedicated 14 years as both the Boilermaker

15K Scholarship Chairperson and the Society of American Baseball Research (SABR) Education Chairperson; he served as President of Youth Baseball/Softball for 8 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his multiple athletic achievements, Richard D. Hunt was truly committed to Interscholastic Athletic Service; he was the Secretary/Treasurer of the Tri-Valley League for 18 years and was a NYSPHSAA Principals' Representative for 11 years; he also served on the Section III Executive Committee as well as the NYSPHSAA Cross County Championship Committee; and

WHEREAS, Richard D. Hunt has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades, some of which include: NYSPHSAA Service Award, Hamilton College Baseball Service Award, Section III Service Award and the New York State Administrators' Association Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, he was inducted into Kirkland Sports Hall of Fame in 2011, and into Mohawk Valley Educators' Hall of Distinction in 2013; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Richard D. Hunt for his extraordinary accomplishments which are a tribute to his skill, dedication and commitment; 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 Richard D. Hunt upon the occasion of his induction into the Greater Utica Sports Hall of Fame on June 8, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Richard D. Hunt.