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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Jay Kimiecik upon the occasion of his induction into the 2014 Athletic Hall of Fame by the SS Seward Institute

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to honor those individuals whose exceptional athletic prowess leaves an enduring legacy in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Jay Kimiecik upon the occasion of his induction into the 2014 Athletic Hall of Fame by the SS Seward Institute, which was celebrated at its Induction Ceremony on September 27, 2014; and

WHEREAS, An important figure in the history of the SS Seward Institute, Jay Kimiecik Class of 1976, had an outstanding high school athletic career; he was a two-year starter in basketball, soccer, and baseball; he was also voted Most Valuable Player in both soccer and basketball in his senior year; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his illustrious high school basketball career, Jay Kimiecik's points averaged in double figures in both his junior and senior years; as a junior, he averaged 14.3 points and made 88 of 118 free throws; in addition, he ranked third in the National Conference; and

WHEREAS, In his senior year, Jay Kimiecik's basketball team played the first game on their new basketball court at Golden Hill; during that game, he scored a game-high 28 points against the perennial champions of James I. O'Neill high school; and

WHEREAS, That same year, Jay Kimiecik averaged 15.4 points, finishing with a remarkable three-year total of 512 points; and

WHEREAS, In the Fall soccer season of 1975, Jay Kimiecik was instru-

mental in leading his team in scoring with 18 goals, featuring a two-goal and four-assist game which decided the Divisional Championship; and WHEREAS, As a member of the varsity baseball team for two years, Jay Kimiecik was junior centerfield for the team which captured the Class D Section 9 Championship; his unbeatable talents demonstrated his agility as a solid hitter and an excellent outfielder; and

WHEREAS, In his senior year of baseball, Jay Kimiecik was named to the TH RECORD second team in the Tri-County area; and

WHEREAS, Jay Kimiecik graduated from SUNY Orange where he was a member of the Region XV Championship Baseball Team; he later earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education from SUNY Cortland, and a master's degree from Purdue University, as well as a Ph. D. in Sport Psychology from the University of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Today, Jay Kimiecik is a professor of Health and Exercise Psychology at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Kim, and their two children, Carly and Colin, all of whom feel privileged to be a part of his life and rejoice in his achievements; and

WHEREAS, Athletes such as Jay Kimiecik provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of student-athletes in their athletic journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

WHEREAS, Jay Kimiecik has clearly been an inspiration to the youth of the SS Seward Institute, as well as to the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; and

WHEREAS, It is the practice of this Legislative Body to commend the efforts of those individuals who work to support our proud tradition of

public education by providing their skills and talents to our students and our schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

congratulate Jay Kimiecik upon the occasion of his induction into the 2014 Athletic Hall of Fame by the SS Seward Institute; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jay Kimiecik.