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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Bob Dimke 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 longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Bob Dimke 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, Bob Dimke, Class of 1950, had an outstanding high school athletic career; he played varsity baseball for four years, and both basketball and soccer for three years; he was also a member of track and field for two years; and WHEREAS, Bob Dimke was instrumental in contributing to the success of his fellow teammates, and played an exceptional defense in the aforementioned sports; and WHEREAS, Throughout Bob Dimke's illustrious high school sports career, his coach, Coach Paul, was a motivating life mentor who Bob credits for quiding, molding and inspiring him toward his goals; and WHEREAS, Upon graduating from high school, Bob Dimke attended King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, where he earned a bachelor's degree in accounting in 1955; and WHEREAS, Bob Dimke was licensed by the Internal Revenue Service as an

enrolled agent from 1971 until he retired in 2011; and

WHEREAS, For 40 years, Bob Dimke served as a Tax Accountant in both

Bennington, Vermont, and Hinesberg, Vermont; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, Bob Dimke served as a school board member, and volunteered his time to coaching in the Pop Warner Football League; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout has been his wife, Anita, who feels privileged to be a part of his life and rejoices in his achievements; and WHEREAS, Athletes and coaches such as Bob Dimke 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, Bob Dimke 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 Bob Dimke 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 Bob Dimke.