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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Yogi Davis, Class of 1971, upon the occasion of his induction into the 2014 SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame

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 Yogi Davis, Class of 1971, upon the occasion of his induction into the 2014 SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame, which was celebrated at a ceremony on Saturday, November 8, 2014, at the Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, The SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame recognizes those individuals, who, through outstanding achievement in athletics or service, have made lasting contributions to its sports program and the overall community; and

WHEREAS, Yogi Davis, a member of the Class of 1971, was first introduced to Colt athletics while serving as a Student Manager for several Colt teams; he was Team Manager for the Cross Country squad in 1968, 1969 and 1970, and served in that same capacity for the baseball teams in 1969, 1970 and 1971; in addition, he also managed the wrestling team for one year; and

WHEREAS, In 1974, Yogi Davis returned to SUNY Orange as a full-time Technical Assistant for the Physical Education Department and the Equipment Manager for the Athletics and Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, For the past 39 years, Yogi Davis has been a constant presence throughout the Physical Education complex, serving as an advisor to the cross country, basketball and baseball teams until his retirement in

2013; and

WHEREAS, Today, this devoted supporter of SUNY Orange athletics remains at the College in a part-time capacity, serving as Building Supervisor for the College's Recreation Club; and

WHEREAS, A member of numerous civic and professional organizations, Yogi Davis has been involved with the Association for Equipment Managers of America and was a member of the Middletown Jaycees and the Middletown Elks; he remains active with Orange County Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Throughout Yogi Davis' tenure, no one has been more involved with SUNY Orange Colt programs, nor more instrumental in their success; and

WHEREAS, A tremendous supporter of both SUNY Orange athletes and their coaches, he has watched more minutes of soccer and basketball, and more innings of baseball and softball than any other Colt, proving to be their biggest fan; and

WHEREAS, Yogi Davis has clearly been an inspiration to the youth of SUNY Orange, as well as to the community-at-large, and accordingly merits recognition and applause for his impressive dedication to others; and

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

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Yogi Davis has clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Yogi Davis, Class of 1971, upon the occasion of his

induction into the 2014 SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to Yogi Davis.