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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Randy Cross upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Randy Cross upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame, to be celebrated at its 19th Annual Hall of Fame and Reunion Dinner on Monday, September 12, 2016, at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady, New York; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cross is a 1961 graduate of Mont Pleasant High School, where he distinguished himself by his many notable achievements on the basketball court and in track and field; and

WHEREAS, A key part of the 1960-1961 Mont Pleasant Basketball team, Randy Cross played a vital role in helping his team achieve a 15-3 record, while also ending Linton High School's 46-game winning streak; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cross also competed as a high jumper on the Mont Pleasant Track Team where he won the Rye High Invitational Meet; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Mont Pleasant High School, Randy Cross attended Boston University (BU) where he led his school's basketball team in scoring all three years he played, and became the only athlete in BU history to win both the Athlete of the Year and Scholar-Athlete of the Year Awards in the same year; and

WHEREAS, Randy Cross averaged 18.2 points per game in his sophomore season and was named to the All-New England Second Team; as a junior, he

increased his scoring average to 19.0 points per game and was named First Team All-New England and District One; and
WHEREAS, Randy Cross was Captain of the 1964-1965 BU squad, and scored 18.9 points per game while grabbing 13 rebounds per contest; he finished his career with 691 rebounds and 1,159 points, the 5th highest career scoring average and 4th highest career rebounding average in BU history; and

WHEREAS, In 1965, Randy Cross graduated from the BU School of Education with High Honors, and went on to complete his Master's degree in Social Administration from Temple University; and

WHEREAS, The recipient of numerous awards and honors during his illustrious career, Randy Cross was selected to become a member of the BU Athletic Hall of Fame and the Upstate New York Basketball Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Randy Cross for his extraordinary athletic accomplishments which are a tribute to his skill, dedication and commitment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations with praise and pride to honor Randy Cross upon the occasion of his induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Randy Cross and the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame.