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Senate Resolution No. 1661

BY: Senator RITCHIE

HONORING John S. Taillon upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2017 Lifetime

Achievement Award by the New York State Recreation and Parks Association

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens who would devote their life's work and purpose to community service, contributing to the welfare of the citizens of their communities and this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor John S. Taillon upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award by the New York State Recreation and Parks Society; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Recreation and Parks Society was founded in 1940 to promote quality recreation and park opportunities for all citizens of New York State through education, training and support; and

WHEREAS, The Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes an individual in the State of New York who has achieved prominence in achieving outstanding and lasting contributions to the advancement of recreation and parks on the local or State level; and WHEREAS, Such contributions must provide a long term impact on recreation or parks lifetime achievement award recipients must have provided at least 20 years to the field of recreation and parks; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Canton, New York, James Taillon has served as Village of Canton Recreation Director since July of 1987; and

WHEREAS, A true asset to his community, James Taillon has given tirelessly of his time and energies to the Canton Recreation Department throughout his 30 years there; and

WHEREAS, It has always been the objective of this Legislative Body to honor and support those individuals who have displayed their commitment to the betterment of their communities, and it is the intent of this Legislative Body to inscribe upon its records, this tribute to James S. Taillon, that future generations may know and appreciate their admirable character, their many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which they are held by their peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor James S. Taillon upon the occasion of his designation as recipient of the 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award by New York State Recreation and Parks Society; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James S. Taillon.