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Senate Resolution No. 2506

BY: Senator BONACIC

HONORING Joe Decker upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association as a 2017 Senior Scholar-Athlete

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to act, in accord with its long-standing traditions, to honor the achievements of its young citizens and leaders of tomorrow, whose character and accomplishments exemplify the ideals and values cherished by this great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor Joe Decker upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association as a 2017 Senior Scholar-Athlete; this momentous occasion was celebrated with a Breakfast on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, Academically and athletically, Joe Decker has distinguished himself as a young man of superlative ability, talent, and maturity, establishing standards of excellence and achievement, purposefulness of life, and responsibility rarely achieved in youthful years; and

WHEREAS, A student at Liberty High School, Joe Decker is ranked

seventh in his class with a 93.79 GPA; he is a member of the National Honor Society, Honors Band and Future Business Leaders of America; and

WHEREAS, In addition, he is a member of the football, wrestling and baseball teams; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to his community, Joe Decker gives tirelessly of his time and energies to volunteering with the White Sulphur Springs Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Joe Decker plans to attend Clarkson University in the Fall where he will major in physics; and

WHEREAS, An outstanding role model for his classmates, Joe Decker has brought honor to his family, school, and community; and

WHEREAS, Joe Decker may stand with pride in his achievements, experiencing the satisfaction of his labors and the joy of his accomplishments, eager to face the challenge of new experiences as he continues his education; and

WHEREAS, Joe Decker represents the potential inherent in our most precious resource, our youth; this Legislative Body is pleased to honor this young man, recognizing his achievements and the promise of his future; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Joe Decker upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Orange County Interscholastic Athletic Association as

a 2017 Senior Scholar-Athlete, and to wish him well in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joe Decker.