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Senate Resolution No. 3624

BY: Senator BONACIC

COMMENDING James Culligan upon the occasion of his induction into the Monticello High School Hall of Distinction Class of 2017

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to take note of and publicly acknowledge individuals who have distinguished themselves through their exemplary careers, accomplishments, and purposeful lives of service to their community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to commend James Culligan upon the occasion of his induction into the Monticello High School Hall of Distinction Class of 2017; this momentous occasion was celebrated on Friday, November 3, 2017, at the Arnold Packer Hughs Auditorium in Monticello High School; and

WHEREAS, A member of the Monticello High School Class of 1949 and Korean War veteran, James "Jim" Culligan has always strived to serve his country, community, and family and friends; and

WHEREAS, Described as a "Monticello man through and through," Jim Culligan has held the titles of President of the Monticello Board of Education, and Sullivan County legislator, where he was instrumental in passing Dean's Law, which defines animal abuse as a criminal act; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the entire period of his community service, a period of constructive involvement, James Culligan has stood constant in dignity, good grace and humor; and

WHEREAS, An exceptional athlete, conscientious mentor and strong leader, James Culligan was recognized as a Sullivan County Elks Sportsman, and played on a demo team with the Hall of Fame coaches for both Indiana and Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Rare indeed is the impressive dedication shown by an individual for the benefit of others which James Culligan has displayed throughout his life; 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 Culligan, that future generations may know and appreciate his admirable character, his many benevolent deeds, and the respect and esteem in which he is held by his peers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to commend James Culligan upon the occasion of his induction into the Monticello High School Hall of Distinction Class of 2017; and be it further

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