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Senate Resolution No. 4200

BY: Senator BONACIC

CONGRATULATING Heather Canfield upon the occasion of her induction into the SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame on November 4, 2017

WHEREAS, It is the sense 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Heather Canfield upon the occasion of her induction into the SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame; this momentous occasion was celebrated on Saturday, November 4, 2017, at Kuhl's Highland House, Middletown, New York; and

WHEREAS, Heather Canfield is a 1999 graduate of SUNY Orange, where she distinguished herself by her many notable achievements as a member of the softball team; and

WHEREAS, Heather Canfield was a standout pitcher for the Colts' softball team; during her freshman year, she was selected to both the Mid-Hudson Conference and Region XV All-Star Teams, and was named a second team All-American; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional athlete improved her statistics in her sophomore year; she posted a 16-1 record as a pitcher with a 1.38 earned run average over 97 innings, including a perfect game against Nassau; she also struck out 122 batters, and earned a .455 batting average with 18 RBIs; and

WHEREAS, Under Heather Canfield's leadership, the Colts compiled an outstanding record of 34-7 and captured the Region XV Championship; and

WHEREAS, In 1999, Heather Canfield was named the Region XV Player of the Year and a first team All-American while leading her team to a third-place finish at the NJCAA National Tournament; and

WHEREAS, Heather Canfield went on to earn her bachelor's degree from Mount St. Mary College and her master's degree from Long Island University; for the last 16 years, she has held the position of Assistant Interscholastic Athletic Director for Orange-Ulster BOCES; in this capacity, she collaborates with 46 school districts within Section IX; and

WHEREAS, Athletes such as Heather Canfield provide a tremendous service to the future of our State and Nation, inspiring generations of student-athletes in their athletic journeys and ensuring their success in their future years; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Heather Canfield upon the occasion of her induction into

the SUNY Orange Colt Athletic Hall of Fame on November 4, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Heather Canfield.