Senate Resolution No. 4839

BY: Senator SEWARD

HONORING Dr. Riaz Lone upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Citizen of the Years by the Sidney Chamber of Commerce

WHEREAS, From time to time we take note of certain individuals whom we wish to recognize for their valued contributions and to publicly acknowledge their endeavors which have enhanced the basic humanity among us all; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor longtime local practitioner Dr. Riaz Lone upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Citizen of the Years by the Sidney Chamber of Commerce to be celebrated at a dinner on Friday, June 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Riaz Lone, an internist formerly specializing in gastroenterology, moved to the Village of Sidney in September of 1083; he earned his medical degree from the University of Punjab and K.E. Medical College in Lahore, Pakistan, and today, his practice is part of the Bassett Health Care Network; and

WHEREAS, With him throughout have been his wife, Sabah, and their two grown children, Atif and Saher, who have all shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and WHEREAS, When his children were young, Dr. Riaz Lone was active in several civic service groups and local organizations, including the former Sidney Boys and Girls Club, now the Tri-Town Youth Club; currently, his outreach efforts are focused on facilitating suicide and narcotics addiction prevention; together with village officials, Dr. Riaz Lone is developing plans for preventative programming; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Dr. Riaz Lone has intermittently served as the Delaware County medical director since the early 1990s, and is now in his third consecutive year as director; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Riaz Lone is an inspiration to many people, and his dedication and commitment to the Village of Sidney have proven him to be the epitome of true leadership; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that individuals who exemplify a spirit of humanity should be celebrated for their noble efforts on behalf of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Dr. Riaz Lone upon the occasion of being named the 2018 Citizen of the Years by the Sidney Chamber of Commerce; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Dr. Riaz Lone.