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Senate Resolution No. 5492

BY: Senator GRIFFO

HONORING Kelley Cobb upon the occasion of being inducted into the Rome Sports Hall of Fame on July 29, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the custom 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 honor Kelley Cobb upon the occasion of being inducted into the Rome Sports Hall of Fame on Sunday, July 29, 2018, at the Inn at the Beeches, Rome, New York; and

WHEREAS, Kelley Cobb, the daughter of Don and Cynthia Commerford, joins her uncle and grandfather to become the third member of her family to be inducted into the Rome Sports Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, After living in Kentucky, North Carolina and Massachusetts, Kelley Cobb and her family made it back to Rome, New York in 1981; and

WHEREAS, Kelley Cobb began her illustrious field hockey career as a four-year starter for Rome Free Academy (RFA) and coach Carla Till; in

this capacity, she was a two-time league first team all-star, MVP and team captain her senior year; and

WHEREAS, Also an RFA volleyball player, Kelley Cobb was a league all-star and was named to an all-tournament team; and

WHEREAS, During this time, Kelley Cobb was honored as a Sports Personality by the Rome Sports Hall of Fame which recognized her "Pursuit of Excellence"; and

WHEREAS, A member of the 1985 Empire State Games Field Hockey Team, Kelley Cobb went on to become a four-year starter at Miami of Ohio; she was a first team MAC league all-star, team captain her senior year, and twice invited to the National Olympic Development program; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her extraordinary athletic abilities, Kelley Cobb and her husband founded a very successful printing business in Charlotte, North Carolina, where she remains an important decision making part of the business while raising her three children; and

WHEREAS, Active in her community, Kelley Cobb has also served as President of the more than 2,100 member Junior League of Charlotte, a philanthropic, issue-oriented and social organization made up of the most successful women of the Charlotte area; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such outstanding athletic accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

honor Kelley Cobb upon the occasion of being inducted into the Rome Sports Hall of Fame on July 29, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kelley Cobb.