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Senate Resolution No. 5719

BY: Senator BONACIC

CONGRATULATING John Guerra upon the occasion of becoming a member of the 1,000 point club, one of high school basketball's most exclusive groups

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated coaching and strategic planning; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this State, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate John Guerra upon the occasion of becoming a member of the 1,000 point club, one of high school basketball's most exclusive groups; and

WHEREAS, A guard on the S.S. Seward Institute's Boys Varsity Basketball Team in Florida, New York, John Guerra, made his 1,000th point during a game on February 15, 2018; this remarkable athlete ended his junior year with 1,041 points; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by John Guerra is due in

great part to the efforts of Coach Robert Gravelle, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, John Guerra's performance throughout the season has been outstanding and he has been loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those young people who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this exemplary athlete now stands honorably, with just pride in his accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by his coaches, teachers, and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate John Guerra upon the occasion of becoming a member of the 1,000 point club, one of high school basketball's most exclusive groups; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to John Guerra and Coach Robert Gravelle.