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Senate Resolution No. 208

BY: Senator BRESLIN

CONGRATULATING Mark Cady, Sr. upon the occasion of being named a 2018 honoree by Arsenal City Kids at its 19th Annual Testimonial Dinner on September 15, 2018

WHEREAS, A great community is only as great as those persons who provide exemplary service, whether through participation in voluntary programs, through unique personal achievement in their profession, or simply through a lifetime of good citizenship; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Mark Cady, Sr. upon the occasion of being named a 2018 honoree by Arsenal City Kids at its 19th Annual Testimonial Dinner to be held at the Watervliet Elks Club on Saturday, September 15, 2018; Coach Mike Deane, a retired Division I basketball coach, will serve as Master of Ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, Prior to the dinner, Coach Mike Deane will lead his annual Basketball Clinic at the Watervliet Dome, a free event open to both boys and girls of all skill levels; and

WHEREAS, Arsenal City Kids, formerly KIDS COUNT!, is a nonprofit organization which raises funds to enhance the lives of children through recreational, cultural, and educational programs in Watervliet, New York, and the Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, Mark Cady, Sr. was born in Watervliet in 1950; when he was 10 years old, he moved to Spegieltown and graduated from Lansingburgh High School, Class of 1968; and

WHEREAS, The year following graduation, Mark Cady, Sr. moved back to Watervliet and married his wife, Barbara, in 1970; and

WHEREAS, From 1979 until 1983, Mark Cady, Sr. coached Watervliet Little League, and from 1981 until 1983, he coached Pee Wee Basketball at Watervliet Catholic; and

WHEREAS, In 1985, Mark Cady, Sr., along with both Pete Passeretti and Bob Catherwood, initiated "Spectator Sports"; the trio covered basketball, baseball and football until 1993; and

WHEREAS, During that timeframe, Mark Cady, Sr. had the privilege of working with Charlie Volker, Doug Schoonmaker, Carmen DiDonato and Dave Plough; "Spectator Sports" was televised on Capitol Cablevision where high school, college and professional sports were covered; and

WHEREAS, For two years, Mark Cady, Sr. did a "High School Basketball Preview" show with Bill Higgins, John Cahill, Mark Lilac and Watervliet's own, George "Butch" Mardigan; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his loving wife, Barbara, with him throughout have been his three wonderful sons, twins Mark and Eric, and David, who have all shown him love and support and rejoice in his many achievements; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Mark Cady, Sr. upon the occasion of being named a 2018 honoree by Arsenal City Kids at its 19th Annual Testimonial Dinner on September 15, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mark Cady, Sr.