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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Joe Hage upon his induction into the Amsterdam Mohawks Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, The State of New York takes great pride in acknowledging the outstanding achievements of its esteemed and talented athletes; and WHEREAS, Joe Hage will be inducted into the Amsterdam Mohawks Hall of Fame during a dinner to be held at St. Mary's Institute on February 4, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Joe was a stand-out baseball and football player at Amsterdam High School from 1971 until 1974; and

WHEREAS, During Joe's junior and senior year, the baseball team won 39 consecutive games and was Sectional Champions in 1973 and 1974; and WHEREAS, Joe batted an impressive .404 as a sophomore, .448 as a junior, and .410 as a senior; and

WHEREAS, He also excelled in football, rushing for 1,284 yards in his senior year; and

WHEREAS, In 1973, Joe was honored with the Thom McAn Award, given to the top scholastic player in the area, and was named Prep All-American by COACH AND ATHLETE MAGAZINE; and

WHEREAS, Joe was named RECORDER Player of the Year in 1974; and WHEREAS, Joe's number 40 is retired by the Rugged Rams; and WHEREAS, Joe played three seasons for the Southern Illinois Salukis baseball team, and played professionally for three years; and WHEREAS, He and his loving wife, Sybelis, are the proud parents of Joey and Nicole, both also stand-out athletes; and

WHEREAS, Joe currently serves as Vice President and Regional Director of BB&T Investment Services; and

WHEREAS, Joe's athletic ability and outstanding sportsmanship are an inspiration to current Mohawk players; and

WHEREAS, Joe's induction into the Amsterdam Mohawks Hall of Fame is a fitting and lasting tribute to his extraordinary legacy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Joe Hage upon his well-deserved induction into the Amsterdam

Mohawks Hall of Fame; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Joe Hage.