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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring olympic track and field champion Kurt Felix upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Grenada Boys Secondary School Alumni Association of New York, Inc.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those esteemed individuals who distinguish themselves through outstanding achievements in worldwide athletic competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor olympic track and field champion Kurt Felix upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition by the Grenada Boys Secondary School Alumni Association of New York, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, This special event is the Grenada Boys Secondary School Alumni Association of New York, Inc.'s 21st Annual Scholarship Awards Ceremony; the celebration will be held on Saturday, December 8, 2012, at Antun's in New York City; and

WHEREAS, Born in La Femme, St. David, Kurt Felix is a Grenadian athlete who specializes in the Decathlon and is the reigning NCAA champion; he attends Boise State University and was named the 2011-2012 Mountain West Conference Male Athlete of the Year Award winner as the league's top male athlete throughout all sports; and

WHEREAS, Kurt Felix was named the 2012 Mountain West Men's Outdoor Track and Field Student-Athlete of the Year after being crowned national champion in the men's decathlon at the 2012 NCAA Outdoor Championships; a senior, he earned a Boise State school record, Mountain West record and Grenada national record of 8,062-points in over two days of action to win the 10-event competition by a 106-point margin; and

WHEREAS, Kurt Felix received the men's Outstanding Performance and High Point Performer awards at the 2012 Mountain West Indoor Championships; he won a conference title in the heptathlon and finished in the top three in the long jump (second), triple jump (third) and high jump (tied for third), earning all-conference honors in all four events; and

WHEREAS, Kurt Felix had duplicate awards at the Mountain West Outdoor Championships two months later, claiming crowns and all-Mountain West accolades in the decathlon and javelin; and

WHEREAS, Earning All-American status in both the long jump (indoor) and decathlon in 2012, Kurt Felix represented Grenada in the Decathlon at the 2012 Olympics in London; he was in 12th place after the first five events, but later withdrew from competition due to an injury; and WHEREAS, A gifted athlete, Kurt Felix has become a role model in society as well as the sport of track and field; his character and achievements stand as a sterling example and inspiration to all who would aspire to success; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor olympic track and field champion Kurt Felix upon the occasion of his designation for special recognition; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kurt Felix.