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CONGRATULATING Ron Moshier upon the occasion of his retirement as Sports Editor after 32 years of dedicated service to the **Observer-Dispatch**

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and honor those distinguished citizens of this great Empire State who have devoted themselves to faithfully serving the best interests of their community and the needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Ron Moshier upon the occasion of his retirement as Sports Editor after 32 years of dedicated service to the **Observer-Dispatch**; he officially retired from this esteemed position on Friday, June 21, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Ron Moshier has been on the sidelines reporting local sports for more than four decades; he began his illustrious career with the **Observer-Dispatch** in 1979, before leaving to become a sports reporter and editor at the **Herkimer Telegram**; and

WHEREAS, Two years later, Ron Moshier started working at the **Cortland Standard**, where he stayed until 1988, when he returned to the **Observer-Dispatch** part-time; one year later he was promoted to a full-time sports writer; he went on to be named Sports Editor in 2017; and

WHEREAS, Ron Moshier grew up in Richfield Springs, New York, where he was a captain for the Indians' Varsity Football, Baseball and Basketball teams; following his high school career, he attended SUNY Cortland, majoring in physical education and minoring in journalism; and

WHEREAS, After a legendary sports writing career which traversed more than four decades, Ron Moshier has covered all of the Utica area's biggest sports moments and has become a true staple in his community; and

WHEREAS, Through the years, Ron Moshier has served with loyalty, honor and distinction, earning the admiration, esteem and affection of his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Ron Moshier has, throughout his career and purposeful life, served his community with integrity and devotion, continuously striving to meet the needs of his readers through entertainment and enlightenment; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that those who enhance the quality of life in their community and have shown a long and sustained commitment to the maintenance of high standards in their profession, certainly have earned the recognition and applause of all

the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Ron Moshier upon the occasion of his retirement as Sports Editor after 32 years of dedicated service to the **Observer-Dispatch**; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Ron Moshier.