Senate Resolution No. 2157

BY: Senator OBERACKER

CONGRATULATING James J. Weir upon the occasion of his honorary induction into the 2026 SUNY Oneonta Athletics Hall of Fame

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to outstanding athletes who have distinguished themselves through their exceptional performance, attaining unprecedented success and the highest level of personal achievement; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate James J. Weir upon the occasion of his honorary induction into the 2026 SUNY Oneonta Athletics Hall of Fame; he will be honored on Saturday, June 6, 2026, as part of Alumni Weekend; and

WHEREAS, James Weir spent 39 years of service to the SUNY Oneonta Athletics Department, including 20 years as Head Janitor in the Field House; during his years of service, he was a tireless worker and always went above and beyond the parameters of his job; and

WHEREAS, Always smiling, James Weir was a friend to the thousands of student-athletes with whom he interacted; his contributions to the Athletics Department earned him the Ross Cordell Contributors Award in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Outside the Oneonta campus, James Weir impacted many young people through his coaching and umpiring in the region; he spent almost half a century coaching baseball, girls' basketball, and softball; and

WHEREAS, Some of James Weir's accomplishments include 16 league championships, three sectional championships, and one regional championship; and

WHEREAS, James Weir has amassed more than 900 wins among all sports, placing him in a select group of high school coaches; additionally, he has been inducted into the Tri-Valley Coaches and Legends of Baseball Halls of Fame; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when individuals of such outstanding athletic accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be 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 James J. Weir upon the occasion of his honorary induction into the 2026 SUNY Oneonta Athletics Hall of Fame; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to James J. Weir.