

Senate Resolution No. 2300

**BY:** Senator TEDISCO

**HONORING** Sheila Dixon upon the occasion of her induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame on September 14, 2026

**WHEREAS,** Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated coaching and strategic planning; and

**WHEREAS,** Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this State, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

**WHEREAS,** It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those outstanding athletes who inspired and brought pride to their school and community by achieving outstanding success in competition, 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 honor Sheila Dixon upon the occasion of her induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame at its 2026 Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame & Reunion Dinner on Monday, September 14, 2026, at the Event Center at Rivers Casino & Resort, Schenectady, New York; and

**WHEREAS,** Sheila Dixon was a four-year varsity basketball player at Schenectady High School, and led Schenectady to the 2008-09 Big Ten girls' basketball title, averaging 13.7 points, 5.6 rebounds and 4.6 assists; and

**WHEREAS,** In her senior year, Sheila Dixon had 35 points, ten rebounds and ten assists in a 93-92 overtime victory over Amsterdam and was named the Big Ten Conference's Most Valuable Player; and

**WHEREAS,** Following a stellar high school career, Sheila Dixon played college basketball at Brown University, where she averaged double figures in three of her four varsity seasons finishing with 1,070 career points; and

**WHEREAS,** As a junior, Sheila Dixon was named Cox Sports Division I Rhode Island Women's Player of the Year; and

**WHEREAS,** Sheila Dixon was an All-Ivy League second team selection as a sophomore and a junior and honorable mention selection as a senior, earning Ivy League Player of the Week twice during her career; and

**WHEREAS,** Recognized by her peers, Sheila Dixon is also a member of

the New York State Basketball Hall of Fame; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Sheila Dixon upon the occasion of her induction into the Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame on September 14, 2026; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That a copy of this Resolution suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Sheila Dixon.