

BY: Senator TEDISCO

COMMENDING the 1940 Nott Terrace High School Relay Team upon the occasion of being honored as part of a special Legacy Tribute during the 27th Annual Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame and Reunion Dinner on September 15, 2025

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 through outstanding achievements 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 commend the 1940 Nott Terrace High School Relay Team upon the occasion of being honored as part of a special Legacy Tribute during the 27th Annual Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Fame and Reunion Dinner on Monday, September 15, 2025, at the Event Center at Rivers Casino & Resort in Schenectady, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the youth 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, Coached by Athletic Hall of Famer Bill Eddy, the 1940 Nott Terrace High School Relay Team won the 1940 Penn Relays Two-Mile Relay Championship of America; and

WHEREAS, The Penn Relays are a very significant event in the world of track and field as the oldest and largest track and field competition in the United States, attracting thousands of participants and spectators annually; and

WHEREAS, Members of 1940 Nott Terrace High School Relay Team included Reggie Crocker, Tony Giavannone, Rob Russell and Schenectady City School District Athletic Hall of Famer and future Notre Dame standout, Bill Leonard; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as track and field, which demands stamina, discipline and determination, Head Coach Bill Eddy worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching them outstanding lessons which proved invaluable both on and off the track; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when

individuals and teams 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 the 1940 Nott Terrace High School Relay Team members: Reggie Crocker, Tony Giavannone, Rob Russell and Bill Leonard; and Head Coach Bill Eddy on their sustained excellence and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members and coaches of the 1940 Nott Terrace High School Relay Team.