## No. R-183. House concurrent resolution honoring Anthony Mariano for 44 years of exemplary athletics leadership at Norwich University.

## (H.C.R.119)

Offered by: Representatives Donahue of Northfield, Goslant of Northfield, and Grad of Moretown

<u>Whereas</u>, Tony Mariano graduated from St. Lawrence University and earned a master's degree from Norwich University, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1978, he became the Norwich Cadets' men's soccer coach, and he finished his final season with a trip to the 1984 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) playoffs, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1982, Tony Mariano assumed men's hockey coaching duties, guiding his teams to three NCAA and eight ECAC playoff berths, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1987, he won personal recognition as both the Division III National Coach of the Year and the New England Coach of the Year, and, in 2022, the New England Hockey Conference named its postseason championship cups in his honor, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1992, he relinquished his coaching duties when Norwich University appointed him its Director of Athletics, and his leadership was instrumental in the university's winning of 76 conference and 12 national championships, the completion or renovation of several athletic facilities, including the opening of Kreitzberg Arena, and he has served in important regional intercollegiate administrative and NCAA intercollegiate hockey leadership roles, and

<u>Whereas</u>, this 2001 Rome (New York) Sports Hall of Fame inductee and 2018 Under Armour Athletic Director of the Year is concluding his stellar Norwich University career of building a championship culture, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Anthony Mariano for his 44 years of exemplary athletics leadership at Norwich University, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Tony Mariano and Norwich University.