

**BANGOR CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BANGOR, MAINE
PROCLAMATION
Supporting the Establishment of a
Maine Basketball Hall of Fame**

WHEREAS, basketball is an American pastime that has been popular in Maine since it was created and Maine high school and college basketball has been an institution and part of every Maine community for a century; and

WHEREAS, efforts are currently underway to preserve the memories and recognize the individuals who have contributed to basketball’s popularity throughout the state through the establishment of a Maine Basketball Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, planning for the development of the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame is now underway among a number of prominent basketball enthusiasts and supporters statewide; and

WHEREAS, the 124th Maine Legislature passed a Joint Resolution supporting the creation of a Maine Basketball Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bangor and Bangor Auditorium has a long and rich history of hosting the annual Maine High School Basketball Tournament and supporting basketball at all levels.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD I. STONE, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BANGOR, on behalf of the City Council and citizens of Bangor, do hereby support the concept of establishing a Maine Basketball Hall of Fame and further urge that consideration be given to locating the Hall of Fame in the Queen City of Bangor.

Given this the 23rd day of July, 2010

**BREWER CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BREWER, MAINE
RESOLVE**

**Support Maine Basketball Hall of Fame
Location at the New Bangor Auditorium/Civic Center**

WHEREAS, the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame has been recently established; and

WHEREAS, the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame is searching for a location for a home to locate their new institution; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bangor has expressed an interest in bringing the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame to their City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bangor has been the historic MECCA for basketball in the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bangor is in the planning stages of a new auditorium/civic center which will be state of the art and will feature among other activities basketball; and

WHEREAS, Thomas “Skip” Chappelle and Peter Webb, architects of the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame endorse locating the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame in Bangor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Brewer City Council, on behalf of the Citizens of the Brewer ENTHUSIASTICALLY support the City of Bangor to be the future home for the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame.

Given this 10th day of August, 2010



**JOINT RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE
THE CREATION OF THE
MAINE BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME**

WHEREAS, Maine basketball has a rich history and has been an institution and part of every Maine community for a century; and

WHEREAS, Maine high school, collegiate and semi-pro/town team basketball and all of its participants and contributors have had a direct influence on both the evolution and the identity of numerous Maine communities; and

WHEREAS, every Maine town and city has taken pride in the accomplishment of its basketball teams, players, and coaches for decades and moreover these communities have honored and recognized the contribution of teams, players, coaches, officials, media, fans and others who have made significant contributions to the game of basketball and to the community itself; and

WHEREAS, the State of Maine and its towns and cities appreciate the performances of teams, players; as well as the dedication of all other contributors; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize and establish a Maine Basketball Hall of Fame to recognize and record the tradition of Maine basketball along with its rich history and to also recognize that the outstanding achievements of the sport’s many participants, have been a source of pride and positive influence for the citizens of Maine for many decades; and be it further

RESOLVED, that we, the members of the One Hundred and Twenty-Fourth Legislature now assembled in the Second Regular Session, on behalf of the people we represent, recognize all past and present Maine basketball teams, female and male, players, coaches, officials, other participants and contributors and endorse and authorize the creation of the Maine Basketball Hall of Fame.



**MAINE STATE BASKETBALL HALL OF FAME
VISION STATEMENT**

Basketball has been an institution and a part of every Maine town and city for a century. A state basketball Hall of Fame is long overdue.

The concept of a Hall of Fame comes from a desire to; 1) preserve the history of basketball in the State of Maine; 2) identify and recognize the accomplishments and contributions of individuals and teams; 3) promote the heritage of basketball in the State of Maine.

This long overdue undertaking will record the one hundred year rich history of Maine’s high school, collegiate and town team/semi-pro basketball as well as identify and recognize the outstanding teams, players, coaches, officials, athletic administrators, media members and other organizations and persons who have made significant contributions to Maine’s basketball.

The design of the Maine State Basketball Hall of Fame is not only to identify and honor the elite participants. There will be multiple achievement and contribution categories, each one having fitting criteria.

The leadership design will include a board of directors, officers, a selection committee, an executive secretary and an identification & research committee from each of Maine’s sixteen counties.

It is hoped that everyone who has been involved with State of Maine basketball will value and share in the spirit of the Maine State Basketball Hall of Fame which will stand as “A Lasting Memorial to a Maine Tradition.”