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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the W. Tresper Clarke High School Baseball Team and Coach Tom Abruscato upon the occasion of winning the Class A Long Island Championship

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, The W. Tresper Clarke High School Baseball Team are the Class A Long Island Champions; they defeated Islip 3-1 at Farmingdale University, earning them a trip to the New York State Championships; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Tom Abruscato and Assistant Coach Mike Meittinis, both skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 23-3-1 is outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the W. Tresper Clarke High School Baseball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a brotherhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and

WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favor-

ably on their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach Tom Abruscato has done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Coach Tom Abruscato and the outstanding athletes on the W. Tresper Clarke High School Baseball Team have clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of their school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the W. Tresper Clarke High School Baseball Team; its members: Alex Abanavas, John Chodkowski, Hamo Deljanin, Tom Fusco, Joe Gordon, Kris Guy, Chris Hlusko, Robert Iovino, Bashir Masani, Connor McCarthy, Andrew Oppedisano, John Radice, Matt Robinson, John Schilt, Brett Schreiber, Ryan Schreiber, Ryan Sloane, Sean Stewart, Brian Sundberg, and Rocco Zaino, and Coach Tom Abruscato and Assistant Coach Mike Meitinis on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the W. Tresper Clarke High School Baseball Team and to the aforementioned coaches.