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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Westbury Varsity Boys Basketball Team and Coach David Graff upon the occasion of capturing both the Nassau County Class A and Long Island Class A Championships

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 Westbury Varsity Boys Basketball Team are both the Nassau County Class A and Long Island Class A Champions; and WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach David Graff, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record 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 Westbury Varsity Boys Basketball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the champion-ship, 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 favorably on their school; and WHEREAS, Coach David Graff 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 David Graff and the outstanding athletes on the Westbury Varsity Boys Basketball 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 Westbury Varsity Boys Basketball Team; its members:

Jannai Allen, Paris Abrams, Aldo Gatica, Joshua Golson, Sheldon Hagigal,
Lamard Herron, Mikel Hooks, Augusto Lewis, Javontay Lindsey, Tyrece

Redd, Luckens Victor, and Chanse Watson; and Coaches David Graff, Edwin Redd, and Aaron Howell on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Westbury Varsity Boys Basketball Team and to the aforementioned coaches.