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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the East Meadow High School Football Team and Coach Vin Mascia upon the occasion of capturing the Nassau County Conference I 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 East Meadow High School Football Team are the Nassau County Conference I Champions; the Jets defeated two-time defending Nassau I and Long Island Class I champion Freeport by a score of 34-33 at Hofstra University's Shuart Stadium on Saturday, November 19, 2011; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being the Nassau County Conference I Champions, the East Meadow High School Football Team are also the Rutgers Cup Champions; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Vin Mascia, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 10-2 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 East Meadow High School Football 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 Vin Mascia 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 Vin Mascia and these outstanding athletes 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 East Meadow High School Football Team; its members: Marvin Cajoles, Joe Martinico, Jake Borresen, Will Geffon, Chris Buschi, Matt Castaneda, Robbie Healy, Evan Pantofel, Nick Trivolis, Jack Ritter, Nick Marinello, Andrew Lynch, Billy Andrle, Alec Koondel, Joe Callan, Joe O'Malley, Rich Renkl, Rafi Aguirres, Dom Morales, Lenny Volpe, Ben Fritzen, Tom Jost, Billy Koebel, Henry Calazans, Sean Chennells, Nick Suchocki, Cheka Ewulu, Dylan Curry, Bobby Bender, Harrison Tighe, James D'Elia, David Zea, Andrew Thebner, Nick Conti, Brian Kavanagh, Adam Suchocki, John Posillico, Chris Green, Kenney Vega, Tyler Jones, Chris Zitz, Tom Dolley, Tom Hippner, Mike Sardo, Giancarlo Carvalho, John Wetterhahn, David Nadeem, and Rob Bergmann, and Coach Vin Mascia, his Assistant Coaches, Greg Johnson, Steven King, Pete Mayeski, Mike Simone, Doug Bange, Steve Anderson, Justin Szwejkowski, Ed Clavin, Mike Lopes, Phil Coppola, and Jesse Callan on their outstanding season and overall

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the East Meadow High School Football Team and to the aforementioned coaches.

team record; and be it further