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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Maine-Endwell High School Football Team and Coach Matt Gallagher upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class A 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 Maine-Endwell High School Football Team are the New York State Class A Champions; the Spartans defeated Section II's Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake by a score of 27-20 at the Syracuse Carrier Dome; this is the second state championship for the program, which also finished 12-0 in 2004; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Matt Gallagher and his team of outstanding assistant coaches, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 12-0 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 Maine-Endwell 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 Matt Gallagher and his dedicated staff have 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 Matt Gallagher 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 Maine-Endwell High School Football Team; its members: Sean Barrett, Marshall Tallon, Robert Allen, Alec Wisniewski, Kyle Gallagher, Steve Eggleston, Luis Uceta, Dakota Peterson, Justin Miller, Seth Swindler, Brandon Hamilton, Adam Gallagher, Trevor Scofield, Jacob Sinicki, Conner O'Brien, Justin Jacoby, Darnell Woolfolk, TJ Davis, Trevor Garbelman, Colin LaSalle, Colin Reynolds, Nick Sorrenti, Nick Moore, Jake Haddock, Colin Davey, Mitch Rowley, Larry Relyea, Matt Carden, Lawrence Gulliver, Matt Brozovic, Ken Fitzpatrick, Ben Hodack, Kyle Urban, Robert Shepherd, Pat Hadfield, Seren Cody, Heath Ferris, Tyler Shelepak, Adam Shelepak, Stephen Pham, Tyrick Bellamy, and David Zielewicz, and Coaches Matt Gallagher, Gary Crooks, John Frieser, Duane Titus and Ben Amorese, on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

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