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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Schreiber High School Boys Volleyball Team and Coach Maria Giamanco upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Scholar Athlete 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 Schreiber Vikings have been named the 2012 New York State Scholar Athlete Champions by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association, an award that was established 12 years ago; it is also the first time that any team from Schreiber has achieved this distinction; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Education also took note of the NYSPHSAA award, acknowledging the team for its combination of athleticism and scholastic achievement; a demanding three-hour six-days-a-week practice schedule, combined with the ability to balance that particular schedule with the requirements of a rigorous academic program, has paid off with a special honor; and

WHEREAS, It is a credit to the Schreiber High School Boys Volleyball Team's ability to compete at a high level on the court and in the classroom; an aggressive schedule, the season begins during the first week of August and goes through to the first week in November; 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

be it further

WHEREAS, Coach Maria Giamanco 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 Maria Giamanco 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 Schreiber High School Boys Volleyball Team; its members: Michael Berry, Jong Ho Byun, Ryan Capps, Evan Kerr, Ryan Kriftcher, Steven Lopez, Benjamin Moy, Kwanyong Park, Simon Shapiro, Matthew Shevrin and Coach Maria Giamanco, along with Athletic Director Stephanie Joannon, Principal Ira Pernick, and Superintendent Dr. Kathleen A. Mooney on their outstanding season and overall team record; and

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Schreiber High School Boys Volleyball Team, and to the aforementioned staff.