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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Baldwinsville Girls Varsity Volleyball Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class AA 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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those young people within our community, who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competitions, have inspired and brought pride to their school district and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Baldwinsville Girls Varsity Volleyball Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class AA Championship; and

WHEREAS, The Baldwinsville Girls Varsity Volleyball Team defeated Rochester's Our Lady of Mercy Saints (3-1) to clinch the State Title, and avenged a 2012 loss to the Saints in the title game; 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 athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Mary Jo Cerqua, and Volunteer Coaches Sarah Elmore and Molly Higman, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record, 18-0, 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 Baldwinsville Girls Varsity Volleyball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a sisterhood 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 Mary Jo Cerqua and Volunteer Coaches Sarah Elmore and Molly Higman 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 Mary Jo Cerqua, Volunteer Coaches Sarah Elmore and Molly Higman, and the 17 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 Baldwinsville Girls Varsity Volleyball Team; its members: Brianna Blasi, Madison Whitney, Rachel Aiello, Meghann Smith, Amanda May, Madison Price, Melissa Voyer, Caryn Salce, Meghan Andre, Alexis LaGoy, Shayna Webber, Rebecca Lawrence, Riley Carlucci, Emily Pascale, Abby May, Hannah Klaben, and Brittany Fabrizio, Coach Mary Jo Cerqua and Volunteer Coaches Sarah Elmore and Molly Higman, on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to each team member, Head Coach Mary Jo Cerqua, and Volunteer Coaches Sarah Elmore and Molly Higman.