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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Holland Girls Varsity Soccer Team and Coach George Schmidt upon the occasion of capturing the 2013 New York State Class C 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 2013 New York State Class C Champions, the Holland Girls Varsity Soccer Team defeated top-ranked Haldane Central by a score of 2-1; composed primarily of sophomores and juniors and ranked sixth, the Holland Girls Varsity Soccer Team advanced to the final after beating North Adirondack High School in triple overtime; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach George Schmidt, 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 Holland Girls Varsity Soccer 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 Holland High School; and

WHEREAS, Coach George Schmidt 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 George Schmidt and the outstanding athletes on the Holland Girls Varsity Soccer 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 Holland Girls Varsity Soccer Team, and Coach George Schmidt on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Holland Girls Varsity Soccer Team and to Coach George Schmidt.