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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Averill Park High School Boys Soccer Team and Coach Sean Organ upon the occasion of capturing the Regional 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 develop-

ment 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 Warriors 2013 Boys' Soccer Team are the Regional Class A Champions, the school's first-ever win in a regional playoff game in the history of the program; they beat CBA Syracuse (3-0) and Peru (2-1) to advance to the state finals in Middletown, New York; and WHEREAS, Prior to winning the Regional Championship, the Warriors also won the Sectional Class A Championship for the first time in school history; they beat South Glens Falls (4-0) avenging a loss to South Glens Falls in the 2012 sectional semi-final, Troy (2-0) and Queensbury (2-1) and Hudson Falls (8-0); and

WHEREAS, The Averill Park High School Boys Soccer Team outscored their opponents in the Regionals and Sectionals 21-4; and

WHEREAS, The last time the Warriors appeared in a sectional final was in 1985, nearly 30 years ago, and that was in a Class "B" final; and WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Sean Organ, 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 Averill Park High School Boys Soccer Team ended their season ranked 4th in the State in New York State Class A in the Final New York State Sportswriters Association Boys' Soccer State Poll; and WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the Averill Park High School Boys Soccer Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, 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 Sean Organ, who was named Section 2 Class A Coach of the Year 2013, 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 Sean Organ and all of the 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 Averill Park High School Boys Soccer Team; its members: Eric Bush, Justin Canaperi, Evan Carrier, Wesley Clayton, Hunter DuPont, Nathan Glanton, Sam Holden, Mac Hoyt, Myles Joyce, Devin Kaedy, Matt Ketzer, Matt Lanoue, Josh Lionarons, Josh Meemken, Alex Miller, Andres Molinet, J. T. Murray, Owen Nuss, Matt Regan, Ben Reinisch, Zach

Ruschmeyer, and Connor Willsie; and Coach Sean Organ on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Averill Park High School Boys Soccer Team,

and to Coach Sean Organ.