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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Mike Heedles upon the occasion of winning the New York State Class A Championship, on November 17, 2013

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, 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Mike Heedles upon the occasion of winning the New York State Class A Championship; the finals were held on Sunday, November 17, 2013, at SUNY Cortland; and

WHEREAS, The Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team are the New York State Champions; they defeated the two-time defending state champs Honeoye Falls by a score of 1-0; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team are also Nassau County and Long Island Champions; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Mike Heedles and Assistant Coaches Scott McAuley and Mark Quigley, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their 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 Garden City High School Girls 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 their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach Mike Heedles has done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of cooperation, pride and accomplishment, and Coach Mike Heedles 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 Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team; its members: Samantha Miesemer, Nicole Chtchekine, Lauren Miesemer, Haley O'Hanlon - captain, Katherine Galzerano, Kerry Defliese, Caroline Beaty - captain, Katherine Malhame - captain, Alicia Mueller, Colette Seel, Kayla Murphy - captain, Chloe Stapleford, Cailee McCarthy, Isabel Klatt, Kaitlin Shea, Deanna DiPierro, Kristen Adams, Jenna Codignotto, Kristie Pflume, Megan Seel, Joanna Sokolovic, Taylor Carpentier, Elizabeth Chester, Kelly George, Alexis Leighton, Julia McGuire; Assistant Coaches: Scott McAuley and Mark Quigley; and Coach Mike Heedles for winning the New York State Class A Championships, as well as on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team and to the aforementioned coaches.