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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Manhasset Indians 10-and-Under Baseball Team and Coach Tom Schmidt upon the occasion of capturing the John Walker Tournament 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 Manhasset Indians Baseball Team defeated the South Shore Chiefs 7-0 in the championship game to become the John Walker Tournament Champions; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Tom Schmidt, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall tournament record of 9-1, including a dramatic walk off victory in the semi-final game, is outstanding; the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the Manhasset Indians, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a brotherhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, and of honor, 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 favor-

ably on their town; and

WHEREAS, Coach Tom Schimdt and his Assistant Coaches, Ed Decastro, Mark Motroni, Chris Aspinall, and Rob Moy, have done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members to successfully defend the 9U title they won in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and these outstanding athletes have clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Manhasset Indians 10-and-Under Baseball Team, its members: Matthew Lehoisky, Keegan Murray, Marco Motroni, Josh Deleeuw, Michael McGoey, Patrick Jarvis, Cole Zaffiro, William Decastro, Cameron Kaye, Alex Papadokos, Hayden Schmidt, John Aspinall, Andrew Moy, Eamon Vanrajah, Will Casey, Nicholas Vulpis and Jack McCusker; Head Coach Tom Schmidt, and Assistant Coaches; Ed Decastro, Mark Motroni, Chris Aspinall and Rob Moy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Manhasset Indians 10-and-Under Baseball Team and to Coach Tom Schmidt and Assistant Coaches.