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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Kayla Cappuzzo upon the occasion of her being named the Gatorade New York State Girls Soccer Player of the Year

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the State of New York who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their school 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 Kayla Cappuzzo of Merrick, New York, upon the occasion of being named the 2013-14 Gatorade New York State Girls Soccer Player of the Year, by the Gatorade Company in collaboration with USA TODAY High School Sports; and

WHEREAS, In its 29th year, the Gatorade Youth Awards Program selects one high school winner from each of the 50 states and District of Columbia in a vast array of sports; this illustrious award recognizes not only outstanding athletic excellence, but also high standards of academic achievement and character both on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Sanford H. Calhoun High School, Kayla Cappuzzo is an exemplary member of the Bellmore-Merrick community; she has represented her school well both on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, This talented and hard-working student athlete led her team to the Nassau County Finals, scoring seven goals and passing for nine assists during the season; she has been chosen as New York State Class AA Co-Player of the Year and is an All-American selection by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America; furthermore, she is also a member of the U.S. Soccer Federation U-18 Women's National Team; and

WHEREAS, Active in giving back to her community, Kayla Cappuzzo is a

member of Students Against Destructive Decisions, and has volunteered on behalf of food drives, the U.S. Marine Corps Toys for Tots program and the Little Angel Fund; and

WHEREAS, Kayla Cappuzzo has distinguished herself academically by maintaining an A average in her studies and will be playing Division I Soccer while attending Northeastern University in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Kayla Cappuzzo has been given this exceptional award for her impact and versatility on and off the soccer field, and for her outstanding leadership, sportsmanship, athletic excellence, academic achievement, and exemplary character; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, this scholar now stands honorably, with just pride in her accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by her teachers, coaches and parents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Kayla Cappuzzo upon the occasion of being named the Gatorade New York State Girls Soccer Player of the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kayla Cappuzzo.