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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Amsterdam High School wrestler Brandon Lapi upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYPHSAA) Division I Wrestling Championship on Saturday, March 1, 2014

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, 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 Amsterdam High School wrestler Brandon Lapi upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYPHSAA) Division I Wrestling Championship on Saturday, March 1, 2014, at the Times Union Center in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Senior Brandon Lapi won a 6-3 decision in double overtime to take home the 138-pound weight class NYPHSAA championship to finish his wrestling career at Amsterdam High School; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Lapi gained the notable achievement of breaking the all-time Section II wins record in the 138 pound weight class with his 264th career victory in the New York State finals; he has also broken the record for most wins in Amsterdam High School history; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, this remarkable young athlete is the 2014 winner of the Eastern States Classic tournament in Loch Sheldrake, New York; he accomplished this feat during a year in which the tournament held its largest field ever, with more than 125 schools participating; and

WHEREAS, Brandon Lapi's record is outstanding; he was loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; 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, Through his hard work, determination, and impressive ability, Brandon Lapi has clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Amsterdam High School wrestler Brandon Lapi upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Division I Wrestling Championship on Saturday, March 1, 2014; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Brandon Lapi.