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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Massapequa High School Boys Soccer Team and Coach Keith Stanley upon the occasion of capturing the 2013 New York State AA 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 Massapequa High School Boys Soccer Team are the 2013 New York State AA Champions; the Chiefs defeated Fairport 1-0 on Sunday, November 17, 2013 at Middletown High School, winning the school's first boys soccer state championship; and

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

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 16-1-2 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 Massapequa 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 Keith Stanley 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 Keith Stanley 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 Massapequa High School Boys Soccer Team; its members: Brandon Merklin, Nicholas Vinberg, Jack Macchia, Brendan Raab, Brendan Gallivan, John Romano, Brian Nichtern, John Mifsud, Anthony Pagano, Dylan Nealis, Christopher McGrath, Andrew Prendergast, Nicholas Bernhard, Brett Reilly, Kevin Mazol, Peter Meyer, Sean Nealis, Ryan Mescall, Edward McMullan, Gabriele D'Orsi, Justin Grimes, Daniel Vitiello, Jesse Nakashian, Coach Keith Stanley, and Assistant Coaches Ken Wing and Steve Fregosi on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Massapequa High School Boys Soccer Team, Coach Keith Stanley, and to Assistant Coaches Ken Wing and Steve Fregosi.