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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Baldwin Girls Varsity Basketball Team and Head Coach Tom Catapano upon the occasion of capturing the Long Island Class 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 Baldwin High School Lady Bruins Basketball Team are the 2014 Nassau County Athletic Association Champions; they will be honored at a ceremony by the Board of Education on Wednesday, April 9, 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Baldwin Lady Bruins captured the Long Island Class AA Championship by defeating Sachem East High School 50-47 on Friday, March 7, 2014, in Farmingdale, New York; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Tom Catapano and his team of outstanding assistant coaches, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record, 18-4, 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 Baldwin Lady Bruins Basketball 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 Tom Catapano and his dedicated staff have 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 Tom Catapano and the Lady Bruin's 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 Baldwin Girls Varsity Basketball Team and Coach Tom Catapano on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Baldwin Girls Varsity Basketball Team and to Coach Tom Catapano.