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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring the Inner City Handball Association upon the occasion of holding its 23rd Annual High School Spring Meet

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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize that the quality and character of life in the communities across New York State are reflective of the concerned and dedicated efforts of those organizations and individuals who would devote themselves to the welfare of the community and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to honor the Inner City Handball Association upon the occasion of holding its 23rd Annual High School Spring Meet on Saturday, April 26, 2014, at the Central Park North Meadow, New York, New York; and

WHEREAS, For over 20 years, the Inner City Handball Association (ICHA) has been providing creative, safe, inexpensive, fun activities that combine athletics and academics for young people from all communities of New York City and Long Island; and

WHEREAS, Offering the most comprehensive youth handball training program in the New York metropolitan area, the ICHA is committed to helping young people grow while having fun in an atmosphere of camaraderie and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, The ICHA believes that the sport of handball presents young athletes with the opportunity to build their physical and mental stamina while developing coping skills necessary for every aspect of life; and

WHEREAS, The High School Spring Meet was started in 1991 by professional handball player, Paul Williams; in its 23rd year, it continues to bring youths together from around the New York area to learn and compete in the sport of handball; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and the ICHA has clearly made a contribution to the development of young people in its community; and

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body that when organizations of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor the Inner City Handball Association upon the occasion of holding its 23rd Annual High School Spring Meet; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Inner City Handball Association.