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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Westbury High School Junior Raeco Jackson upon the occasion of being named an All-County Wrestler

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 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 Westbury High School Junior Raeco Jackson upon the occasion of being named an All-County Wrestler at a tournament held February 16, 2014; he captured four wins before becoming the champ with his fifth victory beating Syosset's opponent 7-4; and

WHEREAS, In addition to being named All-County, Raeco Jackson is an All-County pole vaulter, and the starting quarterback on the Westbury Football Team; and

WHEREAS, A winning confidence coupled with a great attitude has allowed Raeco Jackson to not only become Westbury's first wrestler to finish first in the county in the last 38 years, but also helped him compile the most wins (96) in program history; and

WHEREAS, This standout athlete is now a two-time All-County wrestler, and also finished sixth in the tournament as a ninth grader; to qualify as All-County, a wrestler must finish in the top six of his weight class which includes 26 wrestlers; Raeco Jackson is one such wrestler; and

WHEREAS, Raeco Jackson was able to finish with an astounding 36-5 record this season; he was loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by Raeco Jackson is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Patrick McGovern, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, Furthermore, Raeco Jackson was voted by his peers as the Champion of Champions, a prestigious award which proves how dominant his season was and how well he is respected by fellow champions; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Raeco Jackson 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 Westbury High School Junior Raeco Jackson upon the occasion of being named an All-County Wrestler; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Raeco Jackson.