

## 2013-J4379

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of winning the 2014 Class B Federation Tournament Title

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive team sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, strong teamwork, and a dedicated coaching staff; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those young people within our community, who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their school district and community; 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of winning the 2014 Class B Federation Tournament title; and

WHEREAS, The perfect regular season record posted by the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team earned the players a bye in the Section III, Class B Boys Basketball Tournament; and

WHEREAS, During the semifinal game of the Section III, Class B Boys Basketball Tournament, the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team defeated Ogdensburg Free Academy (74-67) to advance to the State championship tournament; and

WHEREAS, The Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team captured the State Championship after beating the Olean Huskies (93-55) during the Class B

State Final at Glens Falls Civic Center on Saturday, March 15, 2014; the victory secured the team No.1 in the State rankings with an overall record of (25-0), and marked the third Class B State Championship for Westhill Boys Basketball in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, The State Championship win advances the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team to the Class B Federation Tournament of Champions, located at the Times Union Center on March 23, 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team played strong and determined and reigned victorious, wrapping up a perfect season with a 65-46 win over Regis High School of New York City to secure the Class B Federation Tournament title; and

WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the outstanding players of the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team proved to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school and the entire Westhill Central School District; and

WHEREAS, The impressive athletic talent displayed by the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Kevin King, who helped develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball 2013-2014 season, members of the team were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, friends and fans throughout the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team rallied behind one another in establishing a brotherhood of athletic ability and good sportsmanship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team, its members:

Ryan Roland, Billy Billy, Mike Burton, Andrew French, Steven Bailey,

Jordan Roland, Dan O'Connell, Jack Centore, Chase Gedney, Tyler Reynolds, Jeff Lobello, Ryan Obrist, and Brian Daily, and Coach Kevin King on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it

further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Westhill Boys Varsity Basketball Team, and Head Coach Kevin King.