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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team and Coach Mike Stripp upon the occasion of capturing the 2013 New York State cross-country title

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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team and Coach Mike Stripp upon the occasion of capturing the 2013 New York State cross-country title on Saturday, November 9, 2013, at Queensbury High School, Queensbury, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team are the New York State Cross-Country Champions; this winning team claimed its third state title in five years at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Championships, winning the Class C race by 11 points over Susquehanna Valley High School; and

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

WHEREAS, The team's overall record 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 Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team, from the opening meet 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 Mike Stripp 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 Mike Stripp and the Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team'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 Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team; its members: Josh Brunet, Barrett Celecki, Chris Celecki, Brian Chambrone, Connor Ludwin, Corey Warcup, Bryce Zayachek, and Logan Zayachek; and Coach Mike Stripp 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 Holland Patent High School Boys Cross-Country Team and to Coach Mike Stripp.