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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring student-athlete Paula Spatz upon the occasion of her selection to the All-County Girls Basketball Team by the Nassau County Women's Basketball Coaches Association

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to honor student-athlete Paula Spatz upon the occasion of her selection to the All-County Girls Basketball Team by the Nassau County Women's Basketball Coaches Association; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Roslyn High School, Paula Spatz's outstanding work ethic and basketball skills have led to her being named to the All-County Girls Basketball Team for the second consecutive year; and WHEREAS, This esteemed scholar-athlete developed a love for the game of basketball as a youngster, playing in the Roslyn Booster Basketball program, where she honed her abilities along with future teammates; and WHEREAS, During the season, Paula Spatz was a vital contributor to a successful Roslyn High School team which reached the playoffs for the first time in five years; she was known for her excellent jump shot, rebounding and dribbling skills, and all-around basketball talent; and WHEREAS, This remarkable young woman has played for the Long Island Lutheran summer basketball program and the Long Island Extreme and Rising Stars AAU teams; and

WHEREAS, Paula Spatz also represented her country at the JCC Maccabi games, competing at various venues across Israel in 2011; and WHEREAS, In addition to her basketball accomplishments, Paula Spatz has achieved All-Conference status in women's volleyball for two consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Paula Spatz has clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of her school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor student-athlete Paula Spatz upon the occasion of her selection to the All-County Girls Basketball Team by the Nassau County Women's Basketball Coaches Association; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Paula Spatz.