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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Notre Dame High School Girls Varsity Basketball Team and Head Coach Mike Plonisch upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B Championship and the New York State Girls Basketball Federation Tournament of Champions

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 congratulate the Notre Dame High School Girls Varsity Basketball Team and Coach Mike Plonisch upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B Championship; and

WHEREAS, The Notre Dame Girls Varsity Basketball Team captured the state title by defeating Bishop Kearne 71-36 on Saturday, March 15, 2014, at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Jugglers won the New York State Girls Basketball Federation Tournament of Champions by defeating Staten Island Academy 67-39, on Sunday, March 23, 2014, at the Times Union Center, Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Mike Plonisch, and Assistant Coaches Dennis Brenon, Dom Timpano, and Brendan Rowlands, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their 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 Notre Dame Jugglers, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a sisterhood 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 Plonisch 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 Plonisch and these 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 Notre Dame Girls Varsity Basketball Team; its members: Emily Durr, Jackie Hajec, Katie Buschmann, Maggie Sehring, Alexia Patterson, Anari Harris, Kate Sehring, Stephanie Salerno, Julia Buffa, Carli Brendon, Claire Sehring, Francesca Laino; Danine Perry; Head Coach Mike Plonisch and Assistant Coaches Dennis Brenon, Dom Timpano, and Brendan Rowlands on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Notre Dame Girls Varsity Basketball Team and to Coach Mike Plonisch and the aforementioned coaches.