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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the New York Rangers on their outstanding 2013-2014 season, and applauding their accomplishments in the NHL Stanley Cup Playoffs

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to pay tribute to those exemplary athletes and organizations that excel in professional athletics, distinguishing themselves through notable achievements and representing the great Empire State with pride and determination; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the New York Rangers on their outstanding season and to applaud their accomplishments in the NHL Stanley Cup Playoffs; and

WHEREAS, During the 2013-2014 regular season, the New York Rangers achieved an overall record of 45-31-6, including 25 wins on the road, setting a new franchise best; and

WHEREAS, In the first round of the playoffs, the New York Rangers defeated the Philadelphia Flyers in seven games; in the next round, they rallied from a 3-1 series deficit for the first time in their history, defeating the Pittsburgh Penguins in seven games; and

WHEREAS, The New York Rangers returned this year to the Stanley Cup Finals for the first time in 20 years, defeating the Montreal Canadiens to win the Prince of Wales Trophy in the Eastern Conference Finals; and

WHEREAS, The New York Rangers faced off against the Los Angeles Kings; although falling short in the series 4-1, the team was loyally and enthusiastically supported by their dedicated fans and the New York community at large; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by the New York Rangers is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Alain Vigneault, Associate Coach Scott Arniel, and Assistant Coaches Ulf Samuelsson and Daniel

Lacroix, all skilled and inspirational leaders, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; contributing to the success of the Rangers is Team Owner James Dolan and General Manager Glen Sather; and

WHEREAS, One of the oldest teams in the NHL, the New York Rangers have always been a brotherhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, and of honor, demonstrating that these team players are among the best on the ice; and

WHEREAS, The exemplary performance of the members of the New York Rangers is reflective of their dedication, determination and personal commitment; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body, representing the people of the State of New York, is justly proud to bestow upon the members of the New York Rangers its highest commendation after a tremendous season and a job well done; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the New York Rangers, its members: Brian Boyle, Derick Brassard, Daniel Carcillo, Derek Dorsett, Jesper Fast, Carl Hagelin, Ryan Haggerty, Chris Kreider, Oscar Lindberg, J.T. Miller, Dominic Moore, Rick Nash, Benoit Pouliot, Brad Richards, Martin St. Louis, Derek Stepan, Mats Zuccarello, Raphael Diaz, Justin Falk, Dan Girardi, Kevin Klein, Ryan McDonagh, John Moore, Marc Staal, Anton Stralman, David Leneveu, Henrick Lundqvist, and Cam Talbot, Team Owner James Dolan, General Manager Glen Sather, Head Coach Alain Vigneault, Associate Coach Scott Arniel, and Assistant Coaches Ulf Samuelsson and Daniel Lacroix on their outstanding season, and their Stanley Cup appearance; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the New York Rangers, Team Owner James Dolan, General Manager Glen Sather, Head Coach Alain Vigneault, Associate Coach Scott Arniel, and Assistant Coaches Ulf Samuelsson and Daniel Lacroix.