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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Lansing High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Eric Stickel upon the occasion of capturing the 2014 New York State Class C Section IV Championship

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, The Lansing High School Girls Soccer Team captured the 2014 New York State Class C Section IV Championship with an exciting 3-0 victory over Elmira Notre Dame on Saturday, October 31, 2014, in Norwich, New York; and WHEREAS, The Lansing Bobcats finished their season in sensational fashion, winning their second consecutive Section IV title and advancing to the Class C Finals; and WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Eric Stickel, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 17-5 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 Lansing High School Girls Soccer Team, 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 Eric Stickel 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 Eric Stickel 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 Lansing High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Eric Stickel on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Lansing High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Eric Stickel.