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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Beaver River Boys Cross Country Team and Coach Jay Steiner upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class D 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 Beaver River Boys Cross Country Team captured the New York State Class D Championship with a winning score of 74 team points against a competitive field on Saturday, November 8, 2014, in Canton, New York; and

WHEREAS, This achievement marks the Beavers' 15th State Championship and caps off a season in which the team won five invitational races; and WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Jay Steiner, 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 Beaver River Boys Cross Country Team, from the opening meet of the season to participation in the champion-ship, 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 Jay Steiner 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 Jay Steiner 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 Beaver River Boys Cross Country Team; its members: Travis Edwards, Brett Neddo, Greg Virkler, Troy Purcell, Connor Demo, Erik Campeau and Andrew Purcell; and Coach Jay Steiner on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Beaver River Boys Cross Country Team and to Coach Jay Steiner.