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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Garden City High School Girls Field Hockey Team and Coach Diane Chapman upon the occasion of winning the Long Island Class B County Championship, on November 3, 2014

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, 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Garden City High School Girls Field Hockey Team and Coach Diane Chapman upon the occasion of winning the Long Island Class B Championship on Thursday, November 3, 2014, in Garden City, New York; and WHEREAS, The Garden City High School Girls Field Hockey Team are the

WHEREAS, Following this victory, the Garden City High School Trojans advanced to the Long Island Championship finals where they were Class B Runner-Ups; and

Long Island Class B County Champions; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Diane Chapman and Assistant Coach Kara McEneaney Hillmann, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 17-2 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 Garden City High School Girls Field

Hockey 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 Diane Chapman has done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of cooperation, pride and accomplishment, and Coach Diane Chapman 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 Garden City High School Girls Field Hockey Team; its members: Michaela Bruno, Cara Adams, Laurel Nothel, Natalie Garcia, Caroline Kenny, Celia Concannon, Kelsey Whitney, Devon Heaney, Victoria Giannone, Taylor Gladd, Annie Kane, Shannon Tierney, Antonia Palmeri, Morgayne Rix, Jennifer Medjid, Anne Crowley, Annie Ostrowski, Margot McTiernan, Kelly Gordan, Kelly Aneser, Caroline Munn, Bridget Bingham, Emily Clarke, Olivia Giarraputo, Isabel McKeown, Amanda Medjid, Sabrina Milone and Kathleen Griffith; Assistant Coach Kara McEneaney Hillmann; and Coach Diane Chapman for winning the Long Island Championship, as well as on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Garden City High School Girls Hockey Team, and to the aforementioned coaches.