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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Da'mani Burns of Newburgh Free Academy upon the occasion of being named Varsity⁸⁴⁵ Wrestler of the Year

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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the State of New York who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their school and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to congratulate Da'mani Burns of Newburgh Free Academy upon the occasion of being named Varsity⁸⁴⁵ Wrestler of the Year; and

WHEREAS, A senior at Newburgh Free Academy, Da'mani Burns was selected for this prestigious honor in recognition of his outstanding athletic achievements, as well as his exemplary character demonstrated both on and off the wrestling mats; and

WHEREAS, Da'mani Burns achieved an outstanding 46-3 record in the 132-pound wrestling weight class; he also placed third in the New York State tournament, and became just the third wrestler from Newburgh Free Academy to place in consecutive seasons during the past 15 years; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed student-athlete set a new school record with 37 pins, and was Section IX's best finisher at the Eastern States Classic; and

WHEREAS, Da'mani Burns will continue his wrestling career at SUNY Cortland, where he will be attending college in the fall; and

WHEREAS, The exemplary performance of Da'mani Burns is reflective of his dedication, determination and personal commitment; his achievements stand as a hallmark of what is best in the families, schools and communities across New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Da'mani Burns of Newburgh Free Academy upon the occasion of being named Varsity845 Wrestler of the Year, and to wish him all the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Da'mani Burns.