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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Byram Hills High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class A 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Byram Hills High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class A Championship on Saturday, June 13, 2015, at Maine-Endwell High School in Endwell, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Byram Hills Bobcats displayed tremendous work ethic, constant focus and unyielding determination, as they did all season, to win the New York State Class A Title in a morning-afternoon double header against both Levittown-Division Avenue High School and Queensbury High School; and

WHEREAS, In the opening game, the Bobcats were victorious over No. 1 ranked Levittown-Division Avenue High School in an exciting 4-3 win ending in the bottom of the 10th inning, with a thrilling walk off home run; and

WHEREAS, The Byram Hills Bobcats followed up this come from behind performance with an impressive 3-2 victory over No. 2 ranked Queensbury High School to secure the Class A title; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great

part to the efforts of Coach Scott Saunders, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; he has done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 22-5 is outstanding and the most wins in school history; the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the Byram Hills High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, 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, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Coach Scott Saunders 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 members of the Byram Hills High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team and Coach Scott Saunders on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Byram Hills High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team, and Coach Scott Saunders.