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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Jacob Sanchez upon the occasion of capturing a Gold Medal at the 2016 Empire State Games

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 hard work, 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 honor those talented young athletes who distinguish themselves and their community through outstanding athletic performance; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Jacob Sanchez upon the occasion of capturing a Gold Medal at the 2016 Empire State Games on Friday, February 5, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Eight year old Jacob Sanchez, a third grade student, earned himself a first place finish after skating with power and grace during the Boys Pre-Juvenile Well-Balanced Figure Skating Event at the 2016 Empire State Games; and

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice; Jacob Sanchez began figure skating when he was just five years old, performing in his first competition in February of 2013 at Ice Time Sports Complex where he regularly trains; and

WHEREAS, The talent and success displayed by Jacob Sanchez of Montgomery, New York, is due in great part to the efforts of his coaches, Oleg Makarov and Larisa Selezneva, skilled and inspirational mentors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, Jacob Sanchez, in achieving this high athletic honor, may

take just pride in the inspiration and contribution to the spirit of excellence he brings to his family, friends, community and school; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is moved to honor Jacob Sanchez, a young man and extraordinary athlete, recognizing the value of his labors and the promise of his future; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Jacob Sanchez upon the occasion of capturing a Gold Medal at the 2016 Empire State Games; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Jacob Sanchez.