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Senate Resolution No. 1424

BY: Senator STEWART-COUSINS

CONGRATULATING the Hastings High School Boys Soccer Team and Head Coach Frederick Sanhop upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B Boys Soccer Championship

WHEREAS, Individual and team championships are highly sought after in high school sports; this Legislative Body commends rare athletic achievements and pays special recognition to those who pursue such excellence and become examples for the youth of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition helps to enhance both the moral and physical development of young athletes, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the importance of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Hastings High School Boys Soccer Team and Head Coach Frederick Sanhop upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B Boys Soccer Championship; to the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Yellow Jackets defeated West Hill High School in a 3-1 victory to capture their first State title at Faller Field in Middletown High School on Sunday, November 13, 2016; and WHEREAS, Twenty minutes into the game, the Yellow Jackets scored their first goal; four minutes later, they added their second, and kept the momentum going, scoring their third and final goal in the second half; the Team used their incredible passing game to dominate time of possession; their opponent did not get a shot on goal until the 46th minute of play; and

WHEREAS, In addition to winning their first New York State Championship, the Hastings High School Boys Soccer Team were the recipients of the 2016 Fall Scholar Athletic Team Champion Award by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of green and old gold, Athletic Director Adam Lodewick, family, friends, and the community-at-large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Yellow Jackets throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 21-1-1 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as soccer, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Frederick Sanhop and Assistant Coach Richard Kavy worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the field; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Frederick Sanhop and all of the outstanding athletes on the Hastings High School Boys Soccer Team have clearly utilized dedication, determination and teamwork in providing a lasting

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 Hastings High School Boys Soccer Team: Michael Limitone, Eddie Driver, Nate Constatine, Sasha Fuller, Lewis Sprague, Alex Bourgeois, Ian Charles, Willem Bos, Oscar Pereira, Andrea Russo, Jackson Silverstein, Piersol Mininger, Diego Rodriquez, Michael Ratskin, Reid Koken, Ahmed Nasser, Julian Jacobs, Daymon Theodule, Nick Macaluso, Ricardo Zarama, and Jonah Griff; Head Coach Frederick Sanhop; Assistant Coach Richard Kavy; and Athletic Director Adam Lodewick upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class B Boys Soccer Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Hastings High School Boys Soccer Team, Head Coach Frederick Sanhop, Assistant Coach Richard Kavy, and Athletic Director Adam Lodewick.