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Senate Resolution No. 2903

BY: Senator AKSHAR

CONGRATULATING the Deposit Middle-Senior High School Girls Softball Team and Head Coach Dan Briggs upon the occasion of capturing the 2017 NYSPHSAA State Softball Championship on June 10, 2017

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 Deposit Middle-Senior High School Girls Softball Team and Head Coach Dan Briggs upon the occasion of capturing the 2017 NYSPHSAA State Softball Championship; to the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Lumberjacks defeated Heuvelton High School in a close 1-0 victory to capture the Championship on Saturday, June 10, 2017, at the Moreau Recreational Park in Moreau, New York; and WHEREAS, Prior to this monumental win, the Deposit Middle-Senior High School Girls Softball Team won their fourth consecutive NYSPHSAA Girls Softball Section 4 Class D Championship in a 7-5 triumph over Edmeston Central School on Saturday, May 27, 2017, at the Bagsai Complex in Binghamton, New York; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of royal blue, red, and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Lumberjacks throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 17-3 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as softball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Dan Briggs, Assistant Coaches Norm Aprile and Megan Faulkner, and Scorekeeper Laura Stiles have 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 Dan Briggs and all of the outstanding athletes on the Deposit Middle-Senior High School Girls Softball 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 Deposit Middle-Senior High School Girls Softball Team: Alea Tiffany, Meranda Vandermark, Bryn Martin, Kyra Martin, Aubrin Smith, Mikayla Martin, Erin Ballard, Emma Walker, Lauren

Gifford, Makenzie Stiles, Rachel Davis, Danielle Seymour, Evie Davis, Kendra Decker, and Alaina Smith; Head Coach Dan Briggs; Assistant Coaches Norm Aprile and Megan Faulkner, and Scorekeeper Laura Stiles upon the occasion of capturing the 2017 NYSPHSAA State Softball Section Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Deposit Middle-Senior High School Girls Softball Team, Head Coach Dan Briggs, Assistant Coaches Norm Aprile and Megan Faulkner, and Scorekeeper Laura Stiles.