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Senate Resolution No. 3244

BY: Senator GALLIVAN

CONGRATULATING the Wheatland-Chili High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Gary Ward upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class D 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 Wheatland-Chili High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Gary Ward upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class D Championship; to the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Wildcats defeated Poland 3-2 in sudden death on Sunday, November 12, 2017, at Homer High School, Homer, New York, to capture the Championship; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of blue and white,

family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Wildcats throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 20-1-1 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as soccer which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Gary Ward and his expert coaching staff 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, Coach Gary Ward and all of the outstanding athletes on the Wheatland-Chili High School Girls 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 Wheatland-Chili High School Girls Soccer Team: Lindsey Clar, Cassie Parker, Maddie Spear, Adria Kosinski, Travina Meeks, Maddie Jewell, Alyssa Seilheimer, Jenna LaMere, Angelina Burry, Julia Nolan, Olivia Murray, Morgan Parker, Abbey Callaghan, Niyah Rosado, Hannah Beldue, Julia Lodato, Laney Nicosia, Lindsey Moore, Hannah Callaghan, Samantha Ghysel, Zoe Schmieder, Allison Wing, Olivia Cross, Katherine Vonglis, and Janae Hooker; Head Coach Gary Ward; Assistant Coaches Jennifer Quinn, Mariana Crevison, Tony Nicosia; Athletic Trainer Lisa Sokac; and Manager Brooke Thompson 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 Wheatland-Chili High School Girls Soccer Team, Head Coach Gary Ward, Assistant Coaches Jennifer Quinn, Mariana Crevison, Tony Nicosia; Athletic Trainer Lisa Sokac; and Manager

Brooke Thompson.