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Senate Resolution No. 3421

BY: Senator DEFRANCISCO

CONGRATULATING the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Cross Country Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class C Championship, the school's first-ever State Championship in the sport

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive team sports can be achieved only through rigorous training, mental and physical discipline, teamwork and a dedicated coaching staff; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those young individuals within our community, who by achieving outstanding success in athletic competitions, have inspired and brought great pride to their school district and community; 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Christian Brothers Academy (CBA) Girls Varsity Cross Country Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class C

Championship; and

WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the outstanding members of the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team proved to be a terrific combination of talent throughout their entire season, going undefeated in the OHSL Liberty National League with an overall record of 4-0; and

WHEREAS, Before advancing to the state finals, the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team won the Section III Championship on November 4, 2017, at Vernon-Verona-Sherrill High School in Verona, New York; and

WHEREAS, On November 11, 2017, the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team raced to a win at Wayne High School in Ontario Center, New York, finishing with 62 points to take home the NYSPHSAA Class C Championship title; this victory marks the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team's first-ever State Championship in the sport; and

WHEREAS, No team can succeed without talent throughout its entire roster, as is the case with the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team of Claire Bargabos, Deja Jones, Cory Knox, Lea Kyle, Olivia Morganti, Bri Pucci, and Annie Toole; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Theresa Lewis and Assistant Coach Doug Lewis, who are skilled and inspirational mentors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, Coaches Theresa Lewis and Doug Lewis did a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the members of the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team toward their goals; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Cross Country Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class C Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the aforementioned members and coaches of the CBA Girls Varsity Cross Country Team.