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Senate Resolution No. 4859

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CONGRATULATING Alexa Tamburlin upon the occasion of capturing the Gold Medal in the Duet category at the World Baton Twirling Championship on April 1, 2018

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to extend its full recognition and grateful tribute to the athletes of New York State who have dedicated their purposeful lives to athletic achievement and proudly represented their great State and Nation in international sports competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to join the Western New York community in honoring Alexa Tamburlin, a young woman of great skill, personal courage and unparalleled dedication, whose character and athletic achievements are world-renowned and personify the highest ideals of the American spirit and international competition; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Alexa Tamburlin upon the occasion of capturing the Gold Medal in the Duet category at the World Baton Twirling Championship on Sunday, April 1, 2018, in Lillehammer, Norway; and

WHEREAS, Alexa Tamburlin became a member of Team USA after she and

her partner won first place at Nationals held at Notre Dame University;
and

WHEREAS, Alexa Tamburlin has been a competitive baton twirler since the young age of three; baton twirling gives the athlete an opportunity to express herself, feel a sense of self-worth and personal accomplishment, and to learn about both setting and attaining personal goals; and

WHEREAS, Baton twirling is not only a sport, it is also an art requiring style and beauty, and a sport because it combines intense coordination to keep the baton in motion while the body moves in a graceful manner, all the while incorporating dance moves, gymnastic maneuvers, and music interpretation demanding a high level of concentration and physical exertion; and

WHEREAS, Baton twirling as a competitive sport encompasses the physical stamina and agility of gymnastics and dance, the artistic expression and beauty of figure skating and ballet, and the technical skill of all these sports combined; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by Alexa Tamburlin is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Kelli Krull Russell, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for her ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, A role model for all, Alexa Tamburlin is a talented, dedicated athlete who has brought honor to her family, her coaches, and

her community of friends who have encouraged her progress and commended her hard work; and

WHEREAS, A gifted athlete and artist, Alexa Tamburlin's character and achievements stand as a sterling example and inspiration to all who would aspire to such extraordinary success; and

WHEREAS, Many will only dream of competing in the Baton Twirling World Championships; this young gifted athlete from the great State of New York, through her hard work and tenacious spirit, has made that vision a reality, and has proudly represented her country in competition among the world's finest athletes, an honor that gives just cause for her family, community and State to be exceedingly proud of her achievements; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Alexa Tamburlin upon the occasion of capturing the Gold Medal in the Duet category at the World Baton Twirling Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Alexa Tamburlin.