

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Westbury High School Girls Basketball Team and Coach Aaron Howell upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Scholar Athlete Championship

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated coaching and strategic planning; 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, Posting an academic average of 90.34, the Westbury High School Girls Basketball Team has been awarded the New York State Scholar Athlete Championship; this distinction is given to the team with the highest team average in New York State; and

WHEREAS, The Westbury High School Girls Basketball Team won the award two years ago and Coach Aaron Howell acknowledges his team for its combination of scholastic achievement and athleticism; and

WHEREAS, The demanding practice schedule, combined with the ability to balance that with the requirements of a rigorous academic program, has paid off with a special honor; it is a credit to the Westbury High School Girls Basketball Team's ability to compete at a high level on the court and in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach Aaron Howell has done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Coach Aaron Howell and these outstanding athletes have clearly made a 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 Westbury High School Girls Basketball Team, Coach Aaron Howell and Athletic Director Doric Capsis on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Westbury High School Girls Basketball Team, Coach Aaron Howell and Athletic Director Doric Capsis.