

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Ichabod Crane Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team upon the occasion of capturing first place at the New York State Competition

WHEREAS, It is the intent of this Legislative Body to commend and pay tribute to those young people who have inspired and brought pride to our majestic Empire State by achieving outstanding success in educational 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 Ichabod Crane Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team upon the occasion of capturing first place at the New York State Competition; and

WHEREAS, The Ichabod Crane Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team took first place in the New York State Competition; the seven member team ranged in age from six to 11 years old, and presented their creative problem solution on March 23, 2013, in Binghamton to earn the New York State Championship for Problem One in the Elementary Division; and

WHEREAS, The team members include: Blanca Payne, Lauren Bertand, Alex Regan, Timothy Balon, Andrea Payne, Samara Regan and Julen Payne; they have worked together since September of 2012, developing an eight-minute skit involving three delivery vehicles; the team is coached by Laura Michell-Regan and Maite Ascasibar; and

WHEREAS, The Ichabod Crane Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team represented New York State at the World Finals on May 22-25, 2013, at Michigan State University in East Lansing, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, The Odyssey of the Mind Competition teaches students to learn creative problem-solving methods, encouraging individual expression, imaginative thinking and team building skills in order to achieve solutions; and

WHEREAS, Poised eagerly with enthusiasm and determined purpose, these young scholars now stand honorably, with just pride in their accomplishments and in eager anticipation of future challenges, understanding and appreciating the caring counsel and support provided by their teachers, family and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Ichabod Crane Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team upon the occasion of capturing first place at the New York State Competition, and offer them its best wishes for a future of purposeful success and well-being; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Ichabod Crane Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team.