LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION honoring Tyler Rouse upon the occasion of being named Gatorade's 2012-2013 New York Player of the Year

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize our young individuals, who strive for athletic and academic excellence through rigorous training and mental and physical discipline; 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 honor and recognize Baldwinsville High School senior Tyler Rouse upon the occasion of being named Gatorade's 2012-2013 New York Football Player of the Year; and

WHEREAS, This award recognizes outstanding athletic excellence, the high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated both on and off the field, and it distinguishes Tyler Rouse as the best high school football player in New York; and

WHEREAS, Tyler Rouse, the first player to earn this award from Baker High School in Baldwinsville, a 5-foot-8 tall running back, rushed for 2,977 yards and 45 touchdowns on 333 carries this past season, averaging nine yards per carry, and leading the Baldwinsville Bees to the Class AA Section III Finals; and

WHEREAS, When Tyler Rouse is not on the field, he remains dedicated to his scholastic career maintaining a B+ average, and volunteering for a local youth football league as well as a local assisted living facility; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his high school athletic career, Tyler Rouse has received additional awards and team victories including, being named the POST STANDARD'S Honor Athlete of the Week in 2010, and winning two Section III Class AA Sectional Championships in 2010 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, Humble in spirit, Tyler Rouse takes his successes in stride and is quick to credit his team members since no team can succeed without talent throughout the entire roster; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to honor Tyler Rouse upon the occasion of being named Gatorade's 2012-2013 New York Player of the Year, and to recognize his athletic and academic excellence; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Tyler Rouse.