LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class D 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, On Saturday, June 8, 2013, at Conlon Field in Binghamton, New York, the Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team captured the New York State Class D Championship by defeating Hancock by a score of 14-0; and

WHEREAS, The 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team outscored its opponents 47-0 during its outstanding and remarkable post-season performance; and

WHEREAS, Compiling an outstanding 21-2 season record, the 2013 Fort Ann High School Cardinals were the Adirondack League; Class D, Section 2; and Capital Region champions as well as Class D New York State Champions; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Dane Clark and Assistant Coaches, Kevin Mattison and Rock Chadwick, skilled and inspirational mentors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record is outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team, from the opening game of the season to capturing the New York State Class D Championship, were a brotherhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and

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

WHEREAS, Head Coach Dane Clark and Assistant Coaches, Kevin Mattison and Rock Chadwick have done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team members toward their goals; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment; Head Coach Dane Clark and Assistant Coaches, Kevin Mattison and Rock Chadwick, and the 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team's 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 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team; its members: Chris Jackson, Cameron Stark, Seth Godfrey, John Allen, Kent Alexander, Tyler Gleason, Garrett Bailey, Joe Foran, Nick Lehoisky, Pat Strainer, George Lehoisky, Kyle White, Devon Heydrick, Jeremy Johnson, Tyler Mattison and Caleb Bush; Head Coach Dane Clark and Assistant Coaches, Kevin Mattison and Rock Chadwick; Managers, Patrick Ward, Brendan Wright and Jack Dornan; and Scorekeeper Kate White; on their New

York State Class D Championship and their outstanding season; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members, coaches and staff of the 2013 Fort Ann High School Boys Varsity Baseball Team.