

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Bayport-Blue Point Varsity Baseball Team and Coach Jim Moccio upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class A 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, The Bayport-Blue Point Varsity Baseball Team are the New York State Class A Champions; the Phantoms defeated Williamsville South by a 5-3 score at NYSEG Field in Binghamton, New York, to capture the crown; and

WHEREAS, Bayport-Blue Point finishes the season as the first Class A team to win every game it played in a season since 1949; the Phantoms are also the first Suffolk team to go undefeated and win the state championships; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Jim Moccio and Assistant Coach Asa Grunewald, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 27-0 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 Bayport-Blue Point Varsity Baseball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the 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

WHEREAS, Coach Jim Moccio 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 Jim Moccio and his 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 Bayport-Blue Point Varsity Baseball Team; its members: Robert Aclerno, Mike Alliegro, Chris Brewer, Luke Brown, Dan Campanelli, Ryan Dollop, Alex Dura, Sal Geraci, Jake Liberatore, Matt McKinnon, Jack Piekos, Mike Remy, Dylan Rooney, Ryan Smith, Paul Weeks, and Matt White, and Coach Jim Moccio and Assistant Coach Asa Grunewald on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Bayport-Blue Point Varsity Baseball Team and to the aforementioned coaches.