

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Troy High School Girls Basketball Team and Head Coach Paul Bearup 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 Troy High School Girls Basketball Team defeated Binghamton's Maine-Endwell by a score of 46-30 to win the Class A State title on Saturday, March 16, 2013, at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, New York; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Paul Bearup and Assistant Coaches Mollie Danahy and Christopher Caputo, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 20-5 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 Troy High School Girls Basketball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a sisterhood 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, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Coach Paul Bearup and the outstanding athletes on the Troy High School Girls Basketball Team 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 Troy High School Girls Basketball Team; its members: Cheyenne Williams, Brayleigh Hanlon, Courtney Avery, Danielle Evans, Meghan Driscoll, Krystyn Knockwood, Mary Pattison, Sydney Bertrand, Taulie Frierson, Kiana Patterson, and Victoria Hallett; and Head Coach Paul Bearup and Assistant Coaches Mollie Danahy and Christopher Caputo; and Athletic Director Paul Reinisch; Assistant Athletic Director Jeff Sitterly; Trainer Kat Ragsdale; and Scorekeeper Mike Kilmade on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Troy High School Girls Basketball Team and to the aforementioned staff.