LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Troy High School Boys Basketball Team and Coach Rich Hurley upon the occasion of capturing the Section II Class AA 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 Boys Basketball Team are the Section II Class AA Champions; and

WHEREAS, On Monday, March 4, 2013, the Troy Flying Horses defeated Green Tech 70-55, winning its first sectional title in eleven years; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Rich Hurley and Assistant Coaches Patrick Haggerty, Leo O'Keefe, and Bill Behrle, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 20-4 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 Boys Basketball 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 Rich Hurley and his dedicated staff have 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 Rich Hurley and these 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 Troy Boys Basketball Team; its members: Jordan Nelson, Zach Radz, Javion Ogunyemi, Dyaire Holt, Joseph Germinerio, Justice Walston, Imre Megyeri, Jerrell Reid, Liam Testo, and Connor Nicol and coaches Rich Hurley, Patrick Haggerty, Leo O'Keefe and Bill Behrle 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 Boys Basketball Team and to the aforementioned coaches.