LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating student-athlete Zach Yerington upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Prep Talk Player of the Year for Boys Volleyball by THE BUFFALO NEWS

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, 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its longstanding traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate student-athlete Zach Yerington upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Prep Talk Player of the Year for Boys Volleyball by THE BUFFALO NEWS celebrated on Monday, June 15 at the Hyatt Regency Buffalo Hotel and Conference Center in Buffalo, New York; and

WHEREAS, An integral part of the Hamburg High School Boys Varsity Volleyball Team, senior Zach Yerington displayed tremendous hard work, outstanding athletic skill, and exemplary sportsmanship to receive this prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, During the 2014 season, Zach Yerington, a 6 foot-5 outside hitter, had 26 kills in three games during the Far West Regionals; he was also an All-tournament team selection at the Orchard Park, Sweet Home and Hamburg tournaments; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this esteemed young man helped lead his Hamburg Bulldogs to two straight Section VI Division II titles, and was also a two-time All-State selection and a two-time All-Western New York first teamer; and

WHEREAS, Zach Yerington will continue his volleyball playing career at Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Zach Yerington has clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate student-athlete Zach Yerington upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Prep Talk Player of the Year for Boys Volleyball by THE BUFFALO NEWS, and to wish him all the best in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Zach Yerington.