LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating student-athlete McKyla Brooks upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Prep Talk Player of the Year for Girls Indoor Track and Field 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 McKyla Brooks upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Prep Talk Player of the Year for Girls Indoor Track and Field 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 Frontier High School Girls Indoor Track and Field Team, senior McKyla Brooks displayed tremendous hard work, outstanding athletic skill, and exemplary sportsmanship to receive this prestigious honor; and

WHEREAS, McKyla Brooks was the runaway choice for Section VI indoor track MVP after completing a season in which she won three sectional titles and the New York State Championship in the long jump; and

WHEREAS, During the Section VI meet, this esteemed young woman won first place in the 55 meters and long jump, and finished second in the triple jump, an event in which she set the Section VI record last season; and

WHEREAS, At the NYSPHSAA Championship, McKyla Brooks won the long jump event with a winning mark of 19 feet, 1/2 inches; she was also just 1/2-inch behind the overall Federation champion; and

WHEREAS, In addition, McKyla Brooks finished seventh overall in the triple jump, and was sixth among public-school athletes with a leap of 37-8 1/2; and

WHEREAS, McKyla Brooks will be attending Stony Brook University in the Fall where she will continue to compete in track and field, as well as in volleyball; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate student-athlete McKyla Brooks upon the occasion of being named the 2015 Prep Talk Player of the Year for Girls Indoor Track and Field by THE BUFFALO NEWS, and to wish her all the best in her future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to McKyla Brooks.