LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Moravia High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2016 New York State Section IV Class C 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 Moravia High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team captured the 2016 New York State Section IV Class C title with an exciting 61-60 win over Trumansburg on Saturday, February 27, 2016 at the Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena in Binghamton, New York; and

WHEREAS, With this victory, the Moravia Blue Devils have achieved their first sectional title since 2013, and fourth since 2010, as well as the right to play in the state regionals; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Todd Mulvaney, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 8-2 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 2016 Moravia High School Boys Varsity 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 community; and

WHEREAS, Coach Todd Mulvaney 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 these outstanding athletes, coach, and staff 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 2016 Moravia High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team; its members: Madison Hares-Ryan, Joey Peppe, Zack Becker, Kaleb Stayton, Jack Fedrizzi, Austin Kulas, Jordan Crossgrove, Jared Lyon, Carter Flick, Ridge Walker, Parker Dickenson, Dustin Mondics, LinWei Chen, Gabe Short, Zach Stanton, Tom Reeves, and Coach Todd Mulvaney on their championship season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the 2016 Moravia High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team, and Coach Todd Mulvaney.