

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Salesian High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team, Coach John Miressi and Coach Mike Lippoth upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Catholic High School Athletic Association (CHSAA) Class B 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, The Salesian High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team follows in a long tradition of excellence in Eagles Boys Basketball, a history of outstanding players, coaches and teamwork that the 2015-16 team lived up to in every respect; and

WHEREAS, The Salesian Eagles captured their CHSAA Class B New York State Title by defeating Nichols 71-54 at Villa Maria College in Buffalo on March 13, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Prior to their New York State Championship, the Eagles clinched the New York City Catholic High School Athletic Association Championship with a thrilling 67-43 win over Sacred Heart of Yonkers on March 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach John Miressi and Coach Mike Lippoth, skilled and inspirational leaders, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team was enthusiastically supported by loyal family, fans, friends and the community at large throughout the Eagles basketball season; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition instills the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, pride and accomplishment; Coach John Miressi, Coach Mike Lippoth and Athletic Director Christopher Beal, and all of the outstanding athletes have clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence that is a tradition of their school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Salesian Boys Varsity Basketball Team; its members: Anthony Mitchell, Alex Romans, Xavier Tellez, Jack Silverberg, Shaun Walker, Marco Sinapi, Justin Anderson, Paul O'Grady, Dijar Taraku, Damani Jones, Jorge Perdomo, Carlos Ramirez, and Jon Nagy; Coach John Miressi, Coach Mike Lippoth and Athletic Director Christopher Beal on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Salesian Boys Varsity Basketball Team, Coach John Miressi, Coach Mike Lippoth, and Athletic Director Christopher Beal.