

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the North Salem Baseball Team upon the occasion of capturing the Class C State Championship on June 11, 2016

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 Tigers made it to the Championship game in a dominating 10-0 semifinal win over Section 3's Immaculate Heart Central; and

WHEREAS, With a strong pitching crew and big hits, the North Salem Baseball Team captured their first ever Class C State Championship with an exciting 11-8 win over Avon on Conlon Field in Binghamton, New York, on Saturday, June 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Rob Gilchrist, and the team of outstanding assistant coaches, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 20-6 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 North Salem Baseball 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 Rob Gilchrist 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 Rob Gilchrist and his 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 North Salem Baseball Team and Coach Rob Gilchrist 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 North Salem Baseball Team and to Coach Rob Gilchrist.