

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Girls Lacrosse Class A Championship

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, teamwork, and a dedicated coaching staff; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those young people within the State of New York who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought great pride to their school and community; 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 Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team, of Syracuse, New York, won the 2016 New York State Girls Lacrosse Class A Championship on June 11, 2016, with an impressive 11-6 win over Pittsford at the State University of New York at Cortland; and

WHEREAS, This 2016 Championship marked the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team's third state title in the past five years; in 2011, the CBA team won the state championship against Mount Sinai; then, in 2013, the team secured the state title over Brighton; and

WHEREAS, On the morning of June 11, 2016, the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team waited out a pregame thunderstorm for over 30 minutes in the locker room before the first whistle blew on the field, marking the beginning of the New York State Class A title game; and

WHEREAS, The Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team claimed the first four goals of the game, surging early and proving that they were determined to win; and

WHEREAS, Throughout the game, the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team also played strong defense, forcing a turnover or bad shot, each time they were tested by the Pittsford team; and

WHEREAS, The Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team took a 5-3 lead into halftime, and capitalized on that lead by making four goals in just 1 minute, 26 seconds early in the second half of the game; and

WHEREAS, Although Pittsford rallied with three quick goals late in the second half to edge within 10-6, the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team kept possession of the ball for 5 minutes before scoring one last goal with 27 seconds left; and

WHEREAS, In securing this victory on June 11, 2016, the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team finished their perfect 2016 season undefeated with a record of 21-0; and

WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team has proven to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on Christian Brothers Academy and the entire Syracuse-area community; and

WHEREAS, The talent displayed by the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Doug Sedgwick and Assistant Coaches Pat Britton, Claire Sedgwick, and Fran Webster; these skilled coaches have helped develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team who are being commended for their exemplary achievements

are: Alli Anderson (20), Madison Cook (12), Kate Derrenbacker (7), Emily Ehle (23), Adrianna Fess (5), Alexandra Fess (17), Amanda Fess (2), Kathleen Harrigan (30), Jillian Henson (9), Maddie Henson (16), Lillie Hunt (25), Grace Huslander (6), Anna Jeschke (26), Claire Jeschke (1), Danielle Kennedy (21), Shannon Letourneau (8), Beth Lumia (4), Lexi Luthringer (13), Erika Mayette (18), Samantha McKenna (14), Riley Morgan (3), Sloan Nicoletti-Watson (24), Olivia Penoyer (22), Tessa Queri (10), Meredith Strott (19), Rachel Vercillo (11), and Rachel Ziemba (15); and

WHEREAS, Throughout the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team's season, players were always loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, friends and fans from throughout the entire community; and

WHEREAS, The Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team has demonstrated outstanding athletic ability and good sportsmanship, proving that they are second to none; and

WHEREAS, These athletes from the 2016 Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team may stand with pride as they assess their achievements and experience the action of their labors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team upon the occasion of their New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Girls Lacrosse Class A Championship title; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Christian Brothers Academy Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team Head Coach Doug Sedgwick and Assistant Coaches Pat Britton, Claire Sedgwick, and Fran Webster.