LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Plattsburgh Boys Soccer Team and Coach Pat Shaughnessy upon the occasion of winning the NYSPHSAA 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, 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 Plattsburgh High School Boys Soccer Team are the NYSPHSAA Class B Champions; and

WHEREAS, For the first time in history, the Plattsburgh High School Boys Soccer Team won the Class B State Championship with a 3-1 victory over East Aurora in Middletown, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 19-2-0 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 Plattsburgh High School Boys Soccer 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 Pat Shaughnessy 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 Coach Pat Shaughnessy and these 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 Plattsburgh Boys Soccer Team; its members: Stephen Bedard, Jacob Brandmeier, Liam Chaskey, Kevin Dandrow, Jeremy Davies, Cory Duquette, Alex Follmer, Gavin Giroux, Chad Hassinger, Hannes Kurzmann, Jeff Latinville, Luke-Jay Phillips, Dan Piper, Alex Puchalski, Theo Gardner-Puschak, J.D. Side, Abdousabour Tidjani, Luka Tsiklauri, Colin Wells, Trevor Wills, Rayane Yahiaoui; and Coach Pat Shaughnessy 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 Plattsburgh High School Boys Soccer Team and to Coach Pat Shaughnessy.