

BY: Senator TEDISCO

CONGRATULATING the Shenendehowa High School Girls' 3,200 Meter Relay Team and Coach Robert Cloutier upon the occasion of winning the New York State Championship

WHEREAS, It is the custom of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the State of New York who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their school and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Shenendehowa High School Girls' 3,200 Meter Relay Team and Coach Robert Cloutier upon the occasion of winning the New York State Championship on Saturday, March 4, 2017, at the Ocean Breeze Track and Field Athletic Complex, Staten Island, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Shenendehowa Plainsmen captured the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Championship and the Federation Championship with an outstanding time of 9:00 minutes flat, setting a State meet record, a Section 2 record and a Shenendehowa record; and

WHEREAS, The talented scholar-athletes who make up the Shenendehowa High School Girls' 3,200 Meter Relay Team include: First Leg Freshman, Jade Dennis; Second Leg Junior, Olivia Lomascolo; Third Leg Senior, Julia Zachgo who has committed to North Carolina State and will participate in Cross Country and both Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field; and Fourth Leg Junior, Hannah Reale; and

WHEREAS, After clinching the New York State Title, the Shenendehowa High School Girls' 3,200 Meter Relay Team advanced to the New Balance Nationals Indoor Track and Field Meet, where they placed 3rd with a remarkable time of 9:08.85, granting them All-American status; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of green and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Plainsmen throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive overall record; and

WHEREAS, Coach Robert Cloutier and these four outstanding athletes have clearly utilized dedication, determination and teamwork in providing a lasting contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of their school; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body that when athletes of such noble aims and accomplishments are brought to our attention, they should be celebrated and recognized by all the citizens of this great Empire State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to

congratulate the members of the Shenendehowa High School Girls' 3,200 Meter Relay Team and Coach Cloutier 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 Shenendehowa High School Girls' 3,200 Meter Relay Team: Jade Dennis, Olivia Lomascolo, Julia Zachgo, and Hannah Reale; Coach Robert Cloutier; Athletic Director Christopher Culnan; and Superintendent Dr. Oliver Robinson.