

BY: Senator PERSAUD

CONGRATULATING the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team and Head Coach Anwar Gladden upon the occasion of capturing the 2018 PSAL AA Championship

WHEREAS, Individual and team championships are highly sought after in high school sports; this Legislative Body commends rare athletic achievements and pays special recognition to those who pursue such excellence and become examples for the youth of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition helps to enhance both the moral and physical development of young athletes, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the importance of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team and Head Coach Anwar Gladden upon the occasion of capturing the 2018 PSAL AA Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the No. 1 ranked Vikings defeated No. 2 ranked Murry Bergtraum High School in a decisive 57-37 victory to capture their fourth straight Championship on Saturday, March 17, 2018, at Barclays Center in Brooklyn, New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team's monumental win, the Varsity Boys Team were also crowned champions, making history in the PSAL program; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of purple and gold, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Vikings throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 21-7 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as basketball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Anwar Gladden and his expert coaching staff worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Anwar Gladden and all of the outstanding athletes on the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team have clearly utilized dedication, determination and teamwork in providing a lasting 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 members of the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team: Jayda Allen, Rori Cox, Lacha DeLossantos, Keyanna Glover, Jasmine Johnson, Shimei Muhammad, Destiny Philoxy, Kelis Rogers, Zyane Rowe

Ramirez, Earlette Scott, Diamond Shavis, Danaijah Williams, and Chloe Wilson; and Head Coach Anwar Gladden upon the occasion of capturing the 2018 PSAL AA Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the South Shore Varsity Girls Basketball Team, and Head Coach Anwar Gladden.