

BY: Senator MARCHIONE

CONGRATULATING Trent Svingala upon the occasion of capturing the 106-pound Division I wrestling title at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Wrestling Championships on February 25, 2017

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 Trent Svingala upon the occasion of capturing the 106-pound Division I wrestling title at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Wrestling Championships on Saturday, February 25, 2017, at the Times Union Center in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, Since the young age of seven, Trent Svingala has diligently worked for this pinnacle moment; a sophomore at Maple Hill High School in Castleton-on-Hudson, New York, he was proudly crowned Section II's first 106-pound wrestling State Champion; and

WHEREAS, In front of a capacity crowd and a fan base of family, fans and friends, Trent Svingala earned a decisive 9-2 win over his rival, the number one seed from Central Valley Academy; and

WHEREAS, During the title match, this talented young athlete quickly gained the upper hand and relentlessly earned six points in the first quarter against the defending state champion; in the second period he quickly earned two more points and handily won the bout; and

WHEREAS, Trent Svingala's overall record of 42-0 is outstanding, and one of the best in Maple Hill's wrestling history; in addition, this remarkable young man set a program record of 162 career wins; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as wrestling, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Tom Gibbons worked hard to hone the skills of this champion, teaching this outstanding athlete lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the mat; and

WHEREAS, Trent Svingala has clearly utilized dedication, determination and teamwork in providing a lasting contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Trent Svingala upon the occasion of capturing the 106-pound Division I wrestling title at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Wrestling Championships; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Trent Svingala and Coach Tom Gibbons.