

Senate Resolution No. 1973

BY: Senator ANTONACCI

CONGRATULATING the C.W. Baker High School Girls Senior 4 Crew Team upon the occasion of winning their respective race in the New York State Scholastic Rowing Championships

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 C.W. Baker High School Girls Senior 4 Crew Team upon the occasion of winning their respective race in the New York State Scholastic Rowing Championships; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Bees defeated Nardin Academy High School by about five seconds to capture the Championship on Sunday, May 12, 2019, in Saratoga Springs, New York; in 2018, the same team won the Junior 4 Event; and

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

WHEREAS, In a sport such as crew, which demands concentration, speed and strength, Varsity Coach Chris Ludden, Assistant Coach Cassidy Christensen, and Volunteer Coach Allura Francis worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the water; and

WHEREAS, Coach Chris Ludden and all of the outstanding athletes on the C.W. Baker High School Crew 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 C.W. Baker High School Girls Senior 4 Crew Team: Coxswain, Sydney VanAuken; Stroke, Alena Criss; 3rd seat, Erin Mordaunt; 2nd seat, Grace Skapura; and 1st seat, Hannah Norton; Varsity Coach Chris Ludden; Assistant Coach Cassidy Christensen; and Volunteer Coach Allura Francis upon the occasion of winning their respective race in the New York State Scholastic Rowing Championships;

and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the C.W. Baker High School Senior 4 Crew Team, Varsity Coach Chris Ludden, Assistant Coach Cassidy Christensen, and Volunteer Coach Allura Francis.