

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING Charles Tibbitts upon the occasion of capturing the 285-pound Division I wrestling title at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships on February 26, 2022

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 Charles Tibbitts upon the occasion of capturing the 285-pound Division I wrestling title at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships on Saturday, February 26, 2022, at the MVP Arena in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, In front of a capacity crowd and a fan base of family, friends and teammates, number two seed Charles Tibbitts earned a 3-2 decision over his number 13 seed opponent from East Islip High School, giving New Hartford High School its first state title since 1998; and

WHEREAS, A standout wrestler for the New Hartford Spartans, Charles Tibbitts ended his season with a perfect overall record of 35-0; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as wrestling, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Coach Dave Caruso 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, Charles Tibbitts 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 Charles Tibbitts upon the occasion of capturing the 285-pound Division I wrestling title at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Charles Tibbitts and Coach Dave Caruso.