

BY: Senator STEWART-COUSINS

CONGRATULATING the Irvington High School Varsity Boys Cross Country Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2021 NYSPHSAA Class C Cross Country Championship on November 13, 2021

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 Irvington High School Varsity Boys Cross Country Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2021 NYSPHSAA Class C Cross Country Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Bulldogs outran 10 other squads to capture their first title on Saturday, November 13, 2021, at the Chenango Valley State Park in Chenango Forks, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, In a sport such as cross country, which demands stamina, speed and consistency, Coach Christopher Barry and Coach Michael McQuillan worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the course; and

WHEREAS, Coach Christopher Barry and Coach Michael McQuillan and all the outstanding athletes on the Irvington High School Varsity Boys Cross Country 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 Irvington High School Varsity Boys Cross Country Team: Ryan Carron, Taoig Cypher, Liam Lyons, Mitchell Milun, Indy Minkoff, Bryce Pierce, Trent Snyder, and Lucas Turano; Coach Christopher Barry and Coach Michael McQuillan upon the occasion of capturing the 2021 NYSPHSAA Class C Cross Country Championship on November 13, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Irvington High School Varsity Boys Cross Country Team, Coach Christopher Barry and Coach Michael McQuillan.