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CONGRATULATING Yianni Diakomihalis upon the occasion of capturing the 149-pound Division I wrestling title at the NCAA Wrestling Championships on March 19, 2022

WHEREAS, Individual and team championships are highly sought after in collegiate 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 Yianni Diakomihalis upon the occasion of capturing the 149-pound Division I wrestling title at the NCAA Wrestling Championships on Saturday, March 19, 2022, at the Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, In front of a capacity crowd and a fan base of family, friends and teammates, number one seed Yianni Diakomihalis from Cornell University, earned a decisive 11-5 decision over his number 10 seed opponent from Nebraska College to win his third NCAA wrestling title, the second to do so in the program's history; and

WHEREAS, With this monumental win, Yianni Diakomihalis ended his season with a perfect overall record of 28-0; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his impressive wrestling career with the Big Red, Yianni Diakomihalis was a standout wrestler for the Hilton High School Cadets, setting a school record of 243-3 with a 210-winning streak; and

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

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Yianni Diakomihalis upon the occasion of capturing the 149-pound Division I wrestling title at the NCAA Wrestling Championships on March 19, 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Yianni Diakomihalis.