

Assembly Resolution No. 727

BY: M. of A. McMahon

CONGRATULATING the Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart High School Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSCHSAA Basketball Class B Championship on March 13, 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 the Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart High School Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSCHSAA Basketball Class B Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Sharks defeated St. Catharine Academy in a decisive 55-33 victory to capture Sacred Heart's sixth girls basketball title, the first in Class B, on Sunday, March 13, 2022, at Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of maroon and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Sharks throughout their journey as they ended their season with a 14-13 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as basketball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Carrie Owens and Assistant Coach Maria McGrath have worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the court; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Carrie Owens and all of the outstanding athletes on the Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart High School Varsity Basketball 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 Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart High School Varsity Basketball Team: Morgan Giancaterino, Brianna Bonvissuto, Brooke Personius, Mariah Huss, Emily Ruth, Meghan Trapper, Mary Caterina, Brianna Perez, Macey Kovach, Grace Caterina, and Grace Turecki; Head Coach Carrie Owens, and Assistant Coach Maria McGrath upon

the occasion of capturing the 2022 NYSCHSAA Basketball Class B Championship on March 13, 2022; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Buffalo Academy of the Sacred Heart High School Varsity Basketball Team, Head Coach Carrie Owens, and Assistant Coach Maria McGrath.