

BY: Senator STEC

CONGRATULATING the Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Girls Ice Hockey Regional Championship on February 17, 2024

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 Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Girls Ice Hockey Regional Championship on Saturday, February 17, 2024, at the Nexus Center in Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team came back against Kenmore-Grand Island after trailing by 2 goals in the second period; Adirondack United changed the tone of the game by increasing their intensity to capture a 7-3 victory; and

WHEREAS, The Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team includes players from six local school districts: Queensbury, South Glens Falls, Glens Falls, Hudson Falls, Corinth, and Saratoga Springs; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning their colors of red, black, and white; family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported Adirondack United throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 18-0 record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as ice hockey, which demands athletic prowess, speed, and agility, Head Coach Jeff Willis, Assistant Coach Margaret Lawrence, and Athletic Director Matt Griep worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the ice; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Jeff Willis and all of the outstanding athletes on the Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey 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 Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team: Ava Reynolds, Gianna Marcantonio, Ciara Gecewicz, Kady

Duffy, Tekla Fine-Lease, Kara Raven, Bayley Duffy, Alyssa Temple, Madison Macaulay, Rowan Lochner-Fehl, Jessica Freebern, Lucy Pliscofsky, Alle Webb, Emily Macaulay, Amelia Laszewski, Lillian Willis, Haylee Flewelling, Maeve McCarty, Paige Nelson, Emerson Lochner-Fehl, Ella Bray, Aubrey Lozier, Chiara Tuthill, Emma Lemery, Caroline Lieberth, Emilee Underwood, Aurora Graham Hayes, Katelin Archer, Head Coach Jeff Willis, Assistant Coach Margaret Lawrence, and Athletic Director Matt Griep upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Girls Ice Hockey Regional Championship on February 17, 2024; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Adirondack United Girls Varsity Ice Hockey Team, Head Coach Jeff Willis, Assistant Coach Margaret Lawrence, and Athletic Director Matt Griep.