

BY: Senator STEWART-COUSINS

CONGRATULATING the Irvington High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2022 NYSPHSAA Soccer Class B Championship on November 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 Irvington High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2022 NYSPHSAA Soccer Class B Championship; this monumental win will be celebrated at an event in Irvington's Campus Gymnasium on Thursday, March 2, 2023; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Bulldogs defeated Haverling High School in an exciting 2-1 victory to capture their first ever New York State title on Sunday, November 13, 2022, at Cortland High School; 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 soccer, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Patrick DiBenedetto and Assistant Coaches Randi Myers, Christian Ishoo, and Suzanne Carroll 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 field; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Patrick DiBenedetto and all of the outstanding athletes on the Irvington High School Varsity Girls Soccer 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 Irvington High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team: Amanda Berry, Allie Cloutman, Abby Constantine, Niki DeNardo, Olivia DeNardo, Addie Dring, Julianna Edelman, Claire Friedlander, Elise Harcsar, Claire Johnson, Kaitlyn Krieger, Keira Nyarady, Kyli Parsons,

Alyson Raimondo, Amanda Raimondo, Sofia Rosenblatt, Syian Sawian, Rylan Topman, Sadie Van Der Spuy, and Samara Vasishta; Head Coach Patrick DiBenedetto; and Assistant Coaches Randi Myers, Christian Ishoo, and

Suzanne Carroll upon the occasion of capturing the 2022 NYSPHSAA Girls Soccer Class B Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Irvington High School Varsity Girls Soccer Team, Head Coach Patrick DiBenedetto; Assistant Coaches Randi Myers, Christian Ishoo, and Suzanne Carroll; Athletic Trainer Hana Gross; Manager Elizabeth Brereton; and Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics John Buonamano.