

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING the Clinton Varsity Girls Hockey Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Girls Ice Hockey Regional Championship on February 18, 2023

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 Clinton Varsity Girls Hockey Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2023 NYSPHSAA Girls Ice Hockey Regional Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Clinton Warriors defeated Adirondack United in a thrilling 2-1 victory to win their second title in four years on Saturday, February 18, 2023, at the Nexus Center in Utica, New York; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning their colors of maroon and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Warriors throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 13-4 record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as ice hockey, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Rob Kopek, and Assistant Coaches Kelsey Dowdall, Cat Rood, and Elana Calicchia 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 Rob Kopek and all of the outstanding athletes on the Clinton Varsity Girls 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 Clinton High School Varsity Girls Hockey Team: Elizabeth Lapointe, Sadie Davignon, Riley Constantinetis, Addison Tyksinski, Leah Hilton, Abigail Dicks, Isabella Nappi, Kirsten Tynatishon, Alexa Thompson, Eliza O'Donnell, JoLee McCraith, Katherine Elbrecht, Lauren Rey, Leah Altieri, Kelsey Fuller, Alyssa Nardslico, Cassi Adams, Drew Kopek, Gretchen Grimm, Leola Johnson, Gracen Grimm, Mackinley Ronan, and Casey Clausen; Head Coach Rob Kopek, and Assistant

Coaches Kelsey Dowdall, Cat Rood, and Elana Calicchia upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Girls Ice Hockey Regional Championship on February 18, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Clinton Varsity Girls Hockey Team, Head Coach Rob Kopek, and Assistant Coaches Kelsey Dowdall, Cat Rood, and Elana Calicchia.