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CONGRATULATING the Rye High School Boys Varsity Football Team for winning the school's first New York State Class A Championship

WHEREAS, The fabled tradition of gridiron success at Rye High School has continued with the Rye Boys Varsity Football Team's victory in the New York State Class A Championship game, topping Brighton 28-14 at the JMA Wireless Dome in Syracuse, New York, on Friday, December 5, 2025, and capping off its greatest season in program history to win the school's fifth state football title; and

WHEREAS, This achievement follows the building of one of the most solid and consistent high school programs in New York State, finishing with an undefeated record of 8-0 in the regular season, the best record of 14-0, and the best season in Rye High School's history; steamrolling opponents week after week, with every victory coming in double digits and setting school records for total points of 570, an accumulation of 6,431 yards, through an explosive offense and a stingy defense throughout the season, was claimed by the talented football team members; and

WHEREAS, This championship season was made possible with the Garnets' combination of explosive offense, big-play defense, and physical strength at the line that powered point production and shut down opponents all season; and

WHEREAS, The 2025 Garnets used these strengths, play execution, and great game strategy to move through the successive rounds of sectional and state playoff tournament competition against worthy opponents; sectional victories, beginning with an impressive Section 1 Quarterfinal victory of 44-19 over Brewster and Section Semifinal win of 36-22 against Eastchester, were followed by a Section 1 Class A Final with a convincing win of 40-17 over Somers; and

WHEREAS, Rye's tremendous offense continued to shine in the State Quarterfinals against Section 9 Champion Minisink Valley with a victory of 42-14; this was followed by the Class A State Semifinal playoff win over Cornwall with a score of 35-7 to clinch their spot in the state championship against Brighton High School which yielded a 28-14 victory; and

WHEREAS, The team members and their coaches were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends, and the community--all treated to the contact, sights, and sounds of high school football at the highest level; and

WHEREAS, For an outstanding season, this Legislative Body congratulates the members of the Rye High School Boys Varsity Football Team: Sebastian Lewis, Thomas Goldszer, Carson Miller, Henry Shoemaker, Eduardo Fernandes, Charlie Brady, Benjamin Stigliano, Samuel Surak, Ryan

Draddy, Charles Garnett, Ryan Hess, Shay Tuckman, Michael Talbott, Jack Melville, Jagger Fenton, Luke Denvir, Calvin Timchak, Christian Cowdell, Nigel Strazzini, Luke Davies, William Field, Izuchukwu Udeagha, Maxwell

An, Tuur Bartels, Jack Levine, Robert Relyea, Tyler Walsh, Michael Engerran, John "Jack" Anderson, Carsten Steinmann, Blake Colella, Evans Anderson, Cornelis "CJ" Luth, Benjamin Kaplan, Hunter Gillies, Ryan Proulx, Jake Schonberg, Gavin Fitzpatrick, Graham Durkin, Benjamin Ramos, Henry Gilroy, Thomas Neeves, Conor Crotty, Clayton McCarthy, JP Treacy, Maximiliano Cabrera, Roan Bartels, Johnny Shoemaker, Calvin Rollano, Nicolas DiMuria, Teddy Fairhurst, John Scioli, James Ebeling, Ryan Falzone, Wisdom Ngalauka, Hunter Geis, Eric Ellman, Cayden Wing, Benjamin Martin, Giancarlo Mastrogiacomo, James Jenkins, Heath Gressin, R.J. McCabe, and Stepan Kelly; Team Manager Owen Stein; Head Coach Dino Garr; Assistant Coaches Tom Proudian, AJ Thompson, Joe King, Sean Zemlyak, Tom Codispoti, Greg Domestico, Joe DeProssino, Nick Mancuso, and Luke Walsh; Athletic Trainer Thomas Carson; Director of Athletics Susan Reid Dullea; Principal Andrew Hara; and Superintendent Dr. Patricia Murray; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition instills the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, pride, and accomplishment; led by Rye's outstanding Head Coach Dino Garr, dedicated Assistant Coaches Sean Zemlyak, Tom Proudian, and AJ Thompson, as well as Director of Athletics Susan Reid Dullea, the commitment and collaboration, with the team's outstanding players, combined to make the championship and the new page in Rye High School's football history possible; and

WHEREAS, The season also marked the fifth Rye High School Varsity Football State Championship for Rye's legendary Head Coach Dino Garr who etched his name in the record books as New York State's all-time winningest high school football coach with 375 wins; his reputation for building squads founded on teamwork, preparation, strategy, and the belief that every player can be part of an effort will be remembered by the players for the rest of their lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate and honor the Rye High School Boys Varsity Football Team on this New York State Title; the winning of a state championship is an enormous achievement, made possible this season through the team's exceptional skill, resiliency, teamwork, and energy delivered in the spirit of the best collegiate and professional championship football teams; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members, coaches, and administrators of the Rye High School Boys Varsity Football Team.