

BY: Senator HELMING

CONGRATULATING the Wayne Central Varsity Cheerleading Team and Coach Stephanie Lee upon the occasion of capturing the 2017 New York State Public High School Athletic Association Division II Large Championship

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 Wayne Central Varsity Cheerleading Team and Coach Stephanie Lee upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Division II Large Championship on Saturday, March 4, 2017, at the SRC Arena and Events Center at Onondaga Community College; and

WHEREAS, After the preliminary round, Wayne Central was ranked fourth place out of eight teams, which advanced the Eagles to the finals; after performing a nearly perfect routine, Wayne Central was named the New York State Champions, increasing its score from preliminaries to finals by almost 30 points; and

WHEREAS, This was the first time the Wayne Central Varsity Cheerleading Team has ever competed at the New York State Championships; the team took home the State Title and capped its first-ever undefeated season with the school's first State Championship in any sport; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of navy blue and gold, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Eagles throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as cheerleading, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Stephanie Lee and her expert coaching staff 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, Coach Stephanie Lee and all of the outstanding athletes on the Wayne Central Varsity Cheerleading 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 Wayne Central Varsity Cheerleading Team:

Jacqueline Arnold, Jessica Arnold, Kaitlyn Caccamise, Gracie Casselbury, Sera Ciulla, Brooke Forrest, Kaitlin Girard, Samantha Hall, Casey Jurcsak, Chloe Jurcsak, Viktoria Maystruk, Taylor Mottier, Alyvia Rauen, Bailey Rohlin, Alyssa Rosselli, Rachelle Scofield, Samantha Sherlock, Kacie Stalder, Tyra Wickman-Bushart and Alyssa Wicks; and Head Coach Stephanie Lee on their outstanding season and 2017 New York State Public High School Athletic Association Division II Large Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Wayne Central Varsity Cheerleading Team, Head Coach Stephanie Lee, Athletic Trainer Elizabeth Bradshaw and Athletic Director Anthony Carusone.