

**BY:** Senator FUNKE

**CONGRATULATING** the Bishop Kearney High School Varsity Softball Team and Coach Dave Herbst upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class C 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 Bishop Kearney High School Varsity Softball Team and Coach Dave Herbst upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class C Championship; to the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Kings are on a 22 game winning streak after starting their season 3-2; and

**WHEREAS,** Proudly donning the school's colors of blue, black and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Kings throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 25-2 overall record; and

**WHEREAS,** In a sport such as softball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Dave Herbst and his expert coaching staff, Assistant Coaches Kate Sadler, Jessica Prinzing and Christy Phelan, 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 Dave Herbst and all of the outstanding athletes on the Bishop Kearney High School Varsity Softball 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 Bishop Kearney High School Varsity Softball Team: Tianni Gorham, Annie Heyen, Hannah Krautwurst, Siena Oliver, Christina Aldridge, Marissa Conroy, Myah Gonzalez, Hannah Lindey, Brianna Boon, Samantha Dickson, Francesca Gerardi, Kateri Maurer, Mayling Caraballo, Emily Phelan, Michele Russotti and Emily Tytler; Head Coach Dave Herbst; and Assistant Coaches Kate Sadler, Jessica Prinzing and Christy Phelan on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Bishop Kearney High School Varsity Softball Team, Head Coach Dave Herbst, and Assistant Coaches Kate Sadler, Jessica Prinzing and Christy Phelan.