

BY: Senator FUNKE

CONGRATULATING the Pittsford High School Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team and Coach Donovan Lopez upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class A Championship on June 10, 2017

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 Pittsford High School Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team and Coach Donovan Lopez upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class A Championship; to the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Panthers defeated Middle Country High School in an exciting 10-9 victory to win the Championship on Saturday, June 10, 2017, at SUNY Cortland in Cortland, New York; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of blue and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Panthers throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 20-1 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as lacrosse, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Donovan Lopez, and Assistant Coaches Kristen Malecki, Abbey Friend, and Todd Warren 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 Donovan Lopez and all of the outstanding athletes on the Pittsford High School Girls Varsity Lacrosse 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 Pittsford High School Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team: Megan Hanna, Grace Reddish, Jillian Quevedo, Sarah Dickinson, Heather Higgins, Amanda Eidlin, Meghan Doyle, Jenna Doyle, Anya Lucey, Elizabeth Blanding, Sydney McCarthy, Kyra Lucey, Nora Anderson, Hayleigh Holland, Sidra Morchower, Jenna Connolly, Michelle Messenger, Abigail Smith, Alexandra Pound, MacKenzie Winn, Sarah Stark, Courtney Burke, Mara Smith, Claire Mezzoprete, Caroline Cullinan, Macie

Ruda, and Ellie Mooney; and Head Coach Donovan Lopez upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Class A Championship on June 10, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Pittsford High School Girls Varsity Lacrosse Team, Head Coach Donovan Lopez, and Assistant Coaches Kristen Malecki, Abbey Friend, and Todd Warren.