BY: Senator FUNKE

CONGRATULATING the Victor Varsity Cheerleading Team and Coaches Courtney Tortarella and Jessica Dever upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Cheerleading D1 Large Division Championship on March 3, 2018

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 Victor Varsity Cheerleading Team and Coaches Courtney Tortarella and Jessica Dever upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Cheerleading D1 Large Division Championship on Saturday, March 3, 2018, at the SRC Arena and Event Center in Syracuse, New York; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Blue Devils placed first in their division and captured the Grand Championship with the highest score of the day; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of blue and gold, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Blue Devils 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, Coaches Courtney Tortarella and Jessica Dever worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the mat; and

WHEREAS, Coaches Courtney Tortarella and Jessica Dever and all of the outstanding athletes on the Victor 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 Victor Varsity Cheerleading Team: Sophia Battaglia, Mariah Brass, Camryn Burrell, Alana Clar, Tallynn Corwin, Jadalyn Cox, Megan Datz, Taylor Gravino, Paige Guck, Alison Hawryschuk, Melissa Hobson, Kerri Janke, Maddie Johnson, Hanna Kumpf, Olivia Larson, Caroline Lattimer, Olivia Lattimer, Elaine Mansfield, Anna O'Brien, Kira

Potter, Olivia Rowcliffe, Olivia Trass, and Ashley Vicino; Coaches Courtney Tortarella and Jessica Dever upon the occasion of capturing the

NYSPHSAA Cheerleading D1 Large Division Championship on March 3, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Victor Varsity Cheerleading Team, and Coaches Courtney Tortarella and Jessica Dever.