BY: Senator JORDAN

CONGRATULATING the Shenendehowa High School Boys 400 Freestyle Relay Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Swimming and Diving Championship on March 2, 2019

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 Shenendehowa High School Boys 400 Freestyle Relay Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Swimming and Diving Championship on Saturday, March 2, 2019, at the Nassau County Aquatic Center in East Meadow, New York; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Plainsmen bested Niskayuna High School by .23 hundredths of a second to capture the Championship with an outstanding time of 3:08.93, earning All-American consideration while breaking the Section II record; and

WHEREAS, The talented athletes who make up the Shenendehowa High School Boys 400 Freestyle Relay Team include: Kaleb Hotaling, Alexander Fabris, James Jordan and Jackson Homan; and

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

WHEREAS, In sports such as swimming and diving, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Chuck Dunham, and Assistant Swim Coach Ryan Gordon worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both in and out of the pool; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Chuck Dunham and the four outstanding athletes on the Shenendehowa High School Boys 400 Freestyle Relay 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 Shenendehowa High School Boys 400

Freestyle Relay Team, Head Coach Chuck Dunham, and Assistant Swim Coach Ryan Gordon upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Swimming and Diving Championship on March 2, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Shenendehowa High School Boys 400 Freestyle Relay Team, Head Coach Chuck Dunham, and Assistant Swim Coach Ryan Gordon.