BY: Senator O'MARA

**CONGRATULATING** the Corning-Painted Post High School Girls Varsity Softball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Class AA Girls Softball Championship on June 15, 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 Corning-Painted Post High School Girls Varsity Softball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Class AA Girls Softball Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Spartans defeated Cicero-North Syracuse High School in a close 4-3 victory in 11 innings to capture their first Championship on Saturday, June 15, 2019, at Moreau Recreational Park in South Glens Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of black and gold, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Hawks throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 20-4 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as softball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Mike Johnston and Assistant Coaches Audrey Rijo and Taylor Chaffee 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 Mike Johnston and all of the outstanding athletes on the Corning-Painted Post High School Girls 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 Corning-Painted Post High School Girls Varsity Softball Team: Siobhan Stone, Molly Moylan, Mikayla Brucie, Ataylia Rijo, Emily VanDelinder, Jenna Case, Kalea Faulk, Erin Austin, Jasmyn Allyn, Olivia Keegan, Ellie Daugherty, Laura Bennett, and Jenna Stansfield; Head Coach Mike Johnston; and Assistant Coaches Audrey Rijo and Taylor Chaffee upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Class AA Girls Softball Championship on June 15, 2019; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Corning-Painted Post High School Girls Varsity Softball Team, Head Coach Mike Johnston and Assistant Coaches Audrey Rijo and Taylor Chaffee.