BY: Senator O'MARA

CONGRATULATING the Thomas A. Edison High School Girls Varsity Softball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Class C 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 Thomas A. Edison High School Girls Varsity Softball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2019 NYSPHSAA Class C Girls Softball Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Spartans defeated Warsaw High School in a dominating 10-0 victory to capture their third 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 orange and blue, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Spartans throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive overall record; over their final 48 innings of the season, the Spartans allowed no runs and scored 71; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as softball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Liz Warren and Assistant Coaches Molly Hitchcock, Todd Seelye, Phil Willsey, and Katelyn 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 Liz Warren and all of the outstanding athletes on the Thomas A. Edison 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 Thomas A. Edison High School Girls Varsity Softball Team: Alyssa Steinhauer, Bella Willsey, Christina Willsey, Elizabeth Kelley, Emily Baker, Jodie Burdick, Leah Austin-Whittaker, Mallory Mowchan, Marshall Overacker, Mikayla Bush, Reagan Seelye, Riley Vincent, Ryleigh Carson, and Sidney Cooper; Head Coach Liz Warren; and Assistant Coaches Molly Hitchcock, Todd Seelye, Phil Willsey, and Katelyn Warren upon the occasion of capturing the 2019

NYSPHSAA Class C 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 Thomas A. Edison High School Girls Varsity Softball Team, Head Coach Liz Warren and Assistant Coaches Molly Hitchcock, Todd Seelye, Phil Willsey, and Katelyn Warren.