BY: Senator AMEDORE

CONGRATULATING Zachary Lawrence upon the occasion of capturing the 152-pound Division II wrestling title at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships on February 23, 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 Zachary Lawrence upon the occasion of capturing the 152-pound Division II wrestling title at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships on Saturday, February 23, 2019, at the Times Union Center in Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, A standout wrestler for the Duanesburg High School Team, Zachary Lawrence was proudly crowned Division II's 152-pound wrestling State Champion; and

WHEREAS, In front of a capacity crowd and a fan base of family, friends and teammates, top-seeded Zachary Lawrence earned a thrilling 3-2 decision over his opponent from Norwich High School; and

WHEREAS, Zachary Lawrence ended his season with an impressive overall record of 50-0, making it one of Duanesburg High School's best; throughout his exemplary career, he posted an outstanding record of 277-23; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as wrestling, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Ryan Patrie worked hard to hone the skills of this champion, teaching this outstanding athlete lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the mat; and

WHEREAS, Zachary Lawrence has clearly utilized dedication, determination and teamwork in providing a lasting contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Zachary Lawrence upon the occasion of capturing the 152-pound Division II wrestling title at the NYSPHSAA Wrestling Championships on February 23, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be

transmitted to Zachary Lawrence and Head Coach Ryan Patrie.