BY: Senator AKSHAR

CONGRATULATING the Tioga High School Wrestling Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Division II Dual Meet Wrestling Championship on January 29, 2022

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 Tioga High School Wrestling Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Division II Dual Meet Wrestling Championship; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Tigers defeated Canisteo-Greenwood High School by an astounding 43 points to capture the New York State title on Saturday, January 29, 2022, at the SRC Arena and Events Center on the campus of Onondaga Community College in Syracuse, New York; and

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

WHEREAS, In a sport such as wrestling, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Kris Harrington and Assistant Coaches Jason Bellis, Dan Pearce and Jon Martin 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, Head Coach Kris Harrington and Assistant Coaches Jason Bellis, Dan Pearce and Jon Martin and all of the outstanding athletes on the Tioga High School Wrestling 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 Tioga High School Wrestling Team: Emily Sindoni, Kadin Cole, Jordan Young, Brennan Sindoni, Emmett Wood, Gianni Silvestri, Logan Bellis, Jack Woodcock, Tyler Roe, Tate MaCuley, Donavan Smith, Josh Snell, Jayden Duncanson, Jake Browne, Caden Bellis, Justin Hopkins, Kamden Potter, Zac Kotsubka, and Trent Browne; Head Coach Kris Harrington; and Assistant Coaches Jason Bellis, Dan Pearce and Jon Martin upon the occasion of capturing the 2022 NYSPHSAA Division II Dual Meet Wrestling Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Tioga High School Wrestling Team, Head Coach Kris Harrington and Assistant Coaches Jason Bellis, Dan Pearce and Jon Martin.