

**BY:** Senator TEDISCO

**CONGRATULATING** the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School Girls Varsity Volleyball Team upon the occasion of being ranked number 1 in New York State and for winning its 33rd consecutive Suburban Council Divisional Championship

**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 Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School Girls Varsity Volleyball Team upon the occasion of being ranked number 1 in New York State and for winning its 33rd consecutive Suburban Council Divisional Championship on Friday, April 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS,** To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Spartans not only won the Suburban Council Championship, they did not lose a single set all season and are now ranked number one in New York State; and

**WHEREAS,** Proudly donning the school's colors of maroon and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Spartans throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive undefeated record, finishing 20-0 in matches and 60-0 in sets; and

**WHEREAS,** The hallmarks of the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School Girls Varsity Volleyball Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a sisterhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, amidst the challenges of playing during a pandemic, the team truly demonstrated poise, sportsmanship, and teamwork throughout their incredible season; and

**WHEREAS,** In a sport such as Girls Volleyball, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Gary Bynon and his expert coaching staff worked hard to hone the skills of this team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the court; and

**WHEREAS,** Coach Gary Bynon and all of the outstanding athletes on the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Girls Volleyball High School 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 Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Girls Volleyball High School Team: Carlie Rzeszotarski, Peyton Felix, Ella Katz, Claire Isaksen, Sophia Goss, Sophia Commisso, Micaela Choi, Leah Scalise, Alex Ayers, Haileigh Deming, Kiera Hartpence, Jenna Vaughan, Danielle Debonis, Callie Chevalier, Sophia Tassone, Sophie Chevalier and Head Coach Gary Bynon on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

**RESOLVED,** That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School Girls Varsity Volleyball Team, Head Coach Gary Bynon, Athletic Director Joe Scalise, Principal Timothy Brunson and Superintendent Patrick McGrath, Jr.