Assembly Resolution No. 21

BY: M. of A. McDonald

CONGRATULATING the Waterford-Halfmoon Girls' Soccer Team and Head Coach Meghan Reynolds upon the occasion of winning the New York State Class C Girls Soccer 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 Waterford-Halfmoon High School Girls Soccer Team and Head Coach Meghan Reynolds upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class C Girls Soccer Championship on Sunday, November 13, 2022, in Cortland, New York; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Fordians were able to surmount their opponents in the New York State Championship Match and accomplish the utmost high school sporting achievement in this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, The Waterford-Halfmoon High School Girls Soccer Team ended a very successful season finishing with an overall record of 22-1 and capped their historic season off with a 6-3 triumphant victory over Sauquoit Valley to secure the Class C New York State Girls Soccer Championship; and

WHEREAS, These are uncharted waters for the Waterford-Halfmoon High School Girls Soccer Program and Head Coach Meghan Reynolds, winning their first New York State Championship and garnering a record of 40-2 over the course of the past two seasons; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of scarlet and white, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Fordians throughout their journey as they captured their first sectional title in route to the school's first State Championship in girls' sports; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as soccer, which demands athletic prowess, speed, agility, and mental toughness, Head Coach Meghan Reynolds and her expert coaching staff worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the pitch; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Reynolds and all the outstanding athletes on the Waterford-Halfmoon High School Girls Soccer 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 Waterford-Halfmoon High School Girls Soccer Team: Maddalyn Atwood, Bayly Beauregard, Sophia Belonga, Imani Bloomfield, Carly Cordts, Emily Costello, Addyson Galuski, Payton Galuski, Zoe Grennon, Donella Jordan, Sarah Kelly, Cassidy McClement, Piper Morris, Baylee Noto, Mia O'Brien, Alexandra Phelps, Samara Roberts, Isabella Vecchio; and Head Coach Meghan Reynolds on their extraordinary season; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Waterford-Halfmoon High School Girls Soccer Team, Head Coach Meghan Reynolds, Athletic Director Michael Robbins, Principal Christopher Scanlan and Superintendent Michael Healey.