Senate Resolution No. 1730

BY: Senator GRIFFO

CONGRATULATING Andrew Telesky upon the occasion of capturing the 2026 NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling New York State Division 2 103lbs Championship title

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play, and team spirit, nurtured by dedicated coaching and strategic planning; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition enhances the moral and physical development of the young people of this State, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the value of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, imparting a desire for success, and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Andrew Telesky of Sherburne-Earlville High School upon the occasion of capturing the 2026 NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling Division 2 103lbs Championship title at the MVP Arena in Albany, New York, on Saturday, February 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of his excited fans, Sherburn-Earlville's eighth-grader, Andrew Telesky, won the Division 2, 103-pound bracket with back-to-back upsets, becoming the school's first state champion since 2016 and fourth all-time champion; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Telesky, who went 2-2 in his first state tournament as a seventh-grader, finished this season with a 34-3 record and is 76-9 overall with the Timberwolves; and

WHEREAS, The two-time Section III champion opened the second day of competition by pinning his opponent in the second period of their semifinal and completed his state title run with an 8-7 decision; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Telesky entered the tournament as the number-four seed and advanced to the state semifinals by following a first-round bye with a technical-fall victory in the second round and a 4-1 decision over his S-E opponent in the quarterfinals Friday; and

WHEREAS, Andrew Telesky avenged a first-round loss in the 2025 state tournament with a furious third-period comeback in Saturday's D-II finale; taken down in the first period and giving up two reversal points in the next, he scored his first point on an escape with 13 seconds to go in the second period; and

WHEREAS, In a 5-1 hole, with two minutes remaining in his second varsity wrestling season, Andrew Telesky turned everything around in 60 seconds with a seven-point sequence; three takedown points, and four more, for an ensuing near-fall gave him an 8-5 lead, his 20th consecutive victory; and

WHEREAS, The talent displayed by this athlete is due, in great part, to the efforts of an outstanding coach who has the ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, In a sport, such as wrestling, which demands athletic prowess, speed, and agility, Coach Greg DuVall worked hard to hone the skills of this outstanding champion, teaching him lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the mat; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Andrew Telesky upon the occasion of capturing the 2026 NYSPHSAA Boys Wrestling Divison 2 103lbs Championship title; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Andrew Telesky and Coach Greg DuVall.