

Senate Resolution No. 1843

BY: Senator ASHBY

CONGRATULATING the Christian Brothers Academy Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2026 NYSPHSAA Class AAA Boys Basketball Championship

WHEREAS, Individual and team championships are highly sought after in 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 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 Christian Brothers Academy Varsity Basketball Team upon the occasion of capturing the 2026 NYSPHSAA Class AAA Boys Basketball Championship at Visions Veterans Memorial Arena in Binghamton, New York, on Saturday, March 21, 2026; and

WHEREAS, To the applause of their excited fans, the Brothers defeated Fairport High School's Red Raiders in a thrilling victory, finishing with a score of 78-67 and completing a perfect season; and

WHEREAS, Family, friends, and the community loyally and enthusiastically supported the Brothers as they earned their second state championship in the Academy's history, the first since 2010; and

WHEREAS, In a sport, such as basketball, which demands athletic prowess, speed, and agility, Head Coach Galal Cancer and his incredible 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 court; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Galal Cancer, the coaching staff, and all the outstanding athletes on the Christian Brothers Academy Varsity Basketball 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 Christian Brothers Academy Varsity Basketball Team: Jacob Bowden, Brandt Cadet, Amare Coffil, Sebastien Dorcelus, Jack Hulett, Rae'vel Johnson, Austin Osinski, Jayden Osinski, Kieon Pollydore, Theodore Tidgewell, and Jason Vogel upon the occasion of capturing the 2026 NYSPHSAA Class AAA Boys Basketball Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Christian Brothers Academy Varsity Basketball Team; Head Coach Galal Cancer; Assistant Coaches, Malcolm Austin and William Banagan; Athletics Director Blaine Drescher; Assistant Tina Slingerland; and staff members, Andrew Goodemote and William Toomey.