Assembly Resolution No. 643

BY: M. of A. Walsh

CONGRATULATING the Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Alpine Ski Championship on February 11, 2025

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 Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Alpine Ski Championship on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, held at Gore Mountain in North Creek, New York; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team captured its third state title in four years, which speaks to the consistency of excellence in their program; and

WHEREAS, Family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team throughout their journey as the team finished with 77 points, along with Section 1's Mamaroneck and Section IV's Windham for their share of the state title; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by these scholar-athletes is due, in great part, to the efforts of a great team of coaches and skilled and inspirational tutors who are respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as skiing, which demands athletic prowess, speed, and agility, Head Coach Rich Burnley has worked hard to hone the skills of this championship alpine ski team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the slopes; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Rich Burnley and all of the outstanding athletes on the Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team have clearly utilized dedication, determination, and resilience 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 Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team;

Sarah MacFarlane, Taylor Rose, and Marissa Bach; Head Coach Rich Burnley; and Assistant Coach Matt Moran upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Alpine Ski Championship on February 11, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Shenendehowa Girls Alpine Ski Team, Head Coach Rich Burnley, Assistant Coach Matt Moran, Athletic Director Lucas LaBarre, Principal Ron Agostinoni, and School Superintendent Dr. L. Oliver Robinson.