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Senate Resolution No. 505

BY: Senator TEDISCO

CONGRATULATING Mia Collins of Ballston Spa High School upon the occasion of capturing the 2025 NYSPHSAA Girls Wrestling Championship title in the 132-pound Division on February 27, 2025

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 Mia Collins, who captured the 2025 NYSPHSAA Girls Wrestling Championship title in the 132-pound Division at the MVP Arena in Albany on Thursday, February 27, 2025; and

WHEREAS, To the praise and applause of her excited fans, Mia Collins won the state title by an 8-0 decision over her opponent from Huntington High School; and

WHEREAS, Utilizing outstanding talent, Mia Collins won her second

consecutive state title, and for the first time, the NYSPHSAA girls' wrestling championship was a fully sanctioned event, marking a significant milestone for both Mia and the sport; and

WHEREAS, This win capped an impressive season for Mia Collins as she finished with an overall record of 29-2, with 12 pins and a Section 2 Championship; and

WHEREAS, Earlier in the year, Mia Collins secured first place finishes in both the 2025 Dame of Thrones competition and the Queen Bison invitational; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this scholar athlete is due in great part to the efforts and inspiration of a great team of coaches and skilled tutors, all of whom are respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, In addition to exceptional athletic performance between the lines, Mia Collins excelled in the classroom garnering a 97.849 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as wrestling, which demands athletic prowess, speed, and agility, Head Coach Dianna Acors and Assistant Coach Colby Harblin worked hard to hone the skills of this champion, teaching this outstanding athlete lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the mat; and

WHEREAS, For her many achievements both athletically and scholastically, Mia Collins has garnered a top 10 national ranking in her weight class, according to USA Wrestling, and will attend Columbia University in the fall; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Mia Collins of Ballston Spa High School upon the occasion of capturing the NYSPHSAA Girls Wrestling Championship title in the 132-pound Division on February 27, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Mia Collins; the aforementioned coaches; Interim Director of Physical Education, Health, & Athletics Joseph Guardino; Principal Matthew Robinson; and Superintendent Dr. Gianleo Duca.