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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the North Tonawanda High School Football Team and Head Coach Eric Jantzi upon the occasion of capturing the 2009 New York State Class AA Championship

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, The Section VI Champions, the North Tonawanda Lumberjacks High School Football Team defeated New Rochelle High School 14-7 in the Syracuse Carrier Dome to finish the season with a perfect 13-0 record and capture the 2009 New York State Class AA Championship; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Eric Jantzi and his team of outstanding assistant coaches, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record is outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The North Tonawanda High School Football Team benefited especially from the constant support and encouragement of a dedicated and talented cheerleading squad, who rooted the team on with great enthusiasm both at home and on the road; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the North Tonawanda High School Football Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the Cham-

pionship, were a brotherhood of athletic ability, of good sportsmanship, of honor and of scholarship, demonstrating that these team players are second to none; and

WHEREAS, Athletically and academically, the team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on North Tonawanda High School; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Eric Jantzi and his dedicated staff have done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring the team members toward their goals; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Head Coach Eric Jantzi and the outstanding athletes on the North Tonawanda High School Football Team have clearly made a 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 North Tonawanda High School Football Team; its members:

Steve Kijowski, James Aquilina, Joe Montesanti, Jake Brock, Josh Kern, Mike Tuzzo, Darrik Bloomfield, Billy Connors, Bruce Hakes, Brendan Wingrove, Tom Sell, Steve Stefanski, Rob Wiklerski, Dave DiPietro, Aaron Davis, Devan Moultnie, Luke Zacher, Zach Christopher, Travis Charsley, Max Jackson, Shaun Schottmiller, Ryan Daigler, Dan Montesanti, Sean Mcdonough, Joe Medina, Travis Barke, Mitch Milbrand, Casey Shreve, Clayton Schmidt, Jeff Verrall, Jeff Schinaman, TJ Haug, Nick Gonnella, Jim Rogers, Mike Grimaldi, Jesse Bradley, Jim Gigliotti, Jordan Marrs, Randy Miskho, Ben Kanaley, Brennan Perkins, Cody Klawiter, Collin O'Donnell, Kyle Shreve, Justin Sherk, Tyler Body, Kevin VanHise, Josh Fritz, Brandon Camarre, and Andrew Mellott; Assistant Coaches: Rick Tomm, Corey Zayatz, Chris Cook, Erik O'Bryan, Dave Celeste, Kevin Pieper, Brian

Hoffman, Todd O'Bryan, Archie O'Bryan and Ben Ladik; and Head Coach Eric Jantzi on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the North Tonawanda High School Football Team, Assistant Coaches Rick Tomm, Corey Zayatz, Chris Cook, Erik O'Bryan, Dave Celeste, Kevin Pieper, Brian Hoffman, Todd O'Bryan, Archie O'Bryan and Ben Ladik, Head Coach Eric Jantzi, North Tonawanda School Superintendent Vincent Vecchiarella, North Tonawanda High School Principal James Fisher, North Tonawanda Board of Education President Jeff Glatz and North Tonawanda High School Football Booster Club President Paul Frye.