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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Baldwinsville Football Team and Coach Carl Sanfilippo upon the occasion of capturing the 2009 Section III Class AA Championship

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, team play and team spirit that is 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, teamwork, and competition; and WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the State of New York who, achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their high schools; and WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Baldwinsville Football Team and Coach Carl Sanfilippo upon celebrating their 100th season, winning the 2009 Section III Class AA and Regional Class AA Titles, and for representing Section III Football in the 2009 New York State Class AA Championship Tournament; and WHEREAS, To bring home a Section III Championship, as the 2009 Baldwinsville Bees did for the first time in 20 years, is a wonderful achievement; behind All-League First Team players Nick Alencewicz, Jacob Margrey, Nick Robinson, Mike Guinta, Malik Burks, Niko Manning, and Raeshaun Jones, the Bees defeated Christian Brothers Academy 30-12 to bring home the Section III Class AA Title; and WHEREAS, The Bees continued their success through the Class AA Regional Tournament, winning the title with a 49-34 victory over UnionEndicott; and

WHEREAS, Although the Bees suffered a heartbreaking loss in the semifinal round of the New York State Class AA Championship Tournament, they have much to be proud of, including Class AA Sectional and Regional Championships, a final record of 11-1, and receiving the News 10 Now Team of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, For 100 years, Baldwinsville Football has served as a source of great joy and pride for players, coaches, alumni, and the greater Baldwinsville Community, and without a doubt, has proved itself to be one of the most successful football programs in all of Central New York; and

WHEREAS, In addition to its remarkable team success, 2009 proved to be an incredible individual year as well for running back Malik Burks, who took home countless accolades, including Section III Class AA All-League First Team, 2009 All CNY Player of the Year, News 10 Now Player of the Year, and Syracuse Chamber of Commerce Player of the Year; and WHEREAS, No team, no matter how gifted one or a handful of its members may be, can succeed without outstanding talent throughout its entire roster; such was the case for the 2009 Baldwinsville Bees whose players included: Malik Burks, Eric Tommarello, Jed Stainstreet-Clouston, Max Smith, Nick Alencewicz, Casey Colligan, Josh Magiera, Tyler Candee, Ben Messmer, Robert Kirchner, Niko Manning, Andrew Redmond, Augie Zona, Josh Seib, Parker Kiff, Matthew Varga, Ben Paprocki, Antonio Peck, Michael Guinta, Thomas Lawrence III, Tyler Rouse, Zach Diller, Alec Corso, Stephen Mitchell, Joe Tanquay, Ryland Jennings, Mark Standard, Scott Kalkouli, Hayden Benjamin, Raeshaun Jones, Ryan Kelly, Curtis Stanard, Nicholas Rivers, Matthew Moreland, Alan Fox, Sean Hawks, Scott Orr,

Casey Palmer, Nick Robinson, Jacob Margrey, Carter Twombly, Louis Eron, Vito Zona, Faisel Hall and Nate Stoughtenger; and WHEREAS, The success of the Baldwinsville Football Team is due in great part to the efforts of All CNY Head Coach of the Year Carl Sanfi-

lippo, his outstanding Assistant Coaches, who include Mark Bader, Jamie Cuyler, Frank Bahamonde, Dave Schrader, John Bick, and Dan Quackenbush, and team managers Robert Tyrell, Billy Coseo, and Sarah Coseo; the team was also assisted by the never-ending encouragement and support of friends, family and the community; and

WHEREAS, The 2009 Bees shared noteworthy attributes off the field, as well as in competition; individually and collectively, they constantly exhibited good sportsmanship and scholarship, thereby demonstrating to themselves and to others that they have an enviable combination of talent and character, which reflects favorably upon their school and their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Baldwinsville Football Team and Head Coach Carl Sanfilippo for an extremely successful 2009 season, which included celebrating its 100th season, capturing a Section III Class AA Title and Regional Class AA Title, and representing Section III Football in the New York State Class AA Championship Tournament; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the 2009 Baldwinsville Football Team and its coaches.