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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Fort Hamilton High School Football Team and Coach Daniel Perez upon the occasion of winning the Public School Athletic League 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 Fort Hamilton High School Football Team of Brooklyn, New York, are the Public School Athletic League (PSAL) Champions; the Tigers won their third PSAL football city championship in six seasons with a 8-6 victory over Lincoln High School; this was the first high school football game to take place at Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, and it was the Tigers first title since winning consecutively in 2005 and 2006; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Daniel Perez, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his 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 hallmarks of the Fort Hamilton High School Football Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, 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 their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach Daniel Perez has 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 Coach Daniel Perez and these outstanding athletes 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 Fort Hamilton High School Football Team; its members: Travon Reid Segure, Wesley Sumpter, Lamont Williams, Brandon Reddish, Shaquille Russell, Stephan Williamsom, Uhuru Abdul Saleem, Rasheem Stroud, Peter Zappala, Marvin Van Cooten, Marvin Centeno, Tallal Salameh, Dylan Campili, Thaddeus Stroud, Oluwatoba Akinleye, Mohammed Hamdan, Shaidel Lowman, Stefon Hayles, Jakim Williamson, James Howell, Tyler Price, Omar Aman, Tyrone Raymond, Robert Thomas, Khalif Tulloch, Armani Garrick, Nicholas Rey, Kimani Robinson, Mensur Ibric, Michael Basso, John Tedesco, Mathew Lloyd, Kevon Foster, Ivan Foy, Devon Wharton, Najee Daniels, Isaiah Tyler, and Remi Yusuf; and Coaches Daniel Perez, Rodney Knight, Dominick Spinelli, Reginald Wilson, Carl Johnson, Jonathan Skelly, and Whitfield Morris, as well as Athletic Director Susan Russo and Principal Jo Ann Chester on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Fort Hamilton High School Football Team and to the aforementioned coaches and administrative staff.