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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team and Coach Mike Heedles upon the occasion of winning the New York State 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 Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team are the New York State Champions; with 1:26 left in the second overtime of the state final, they went on to defeat Rye by a score of 2-1; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team are also Nassau County and Long Island Champions; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Mike Heedles and Assistant Coaches Scott McAuley and Mark Quigle, 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 hallmarks of the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team, from the opening game of the season to participation in the championship, were a sisterhood 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, Recently named the New York State Coach of the Year, Coach Mike Heedles 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 Mike Heedles 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 Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team; its members: Victoria Aldrich, Delsey Attardi, Niki Berkery, Christina Cesarini, Kristen Conboy, Erin Greiner, Taylor Hennig, Catherine Malhame, Liz Mahoney, Christina Mangels, Paulette Mohasci, Amanda Murolo, Haley O'Hanlon, Srey Powers, Tracy Rendano, Michelle Rotondo, Lily Schmitt, Jessica Stein, Courtney Studdert, Liz Stutzman, Barbara Sullivan, Kelsey Tierney, Jill Yoo, and Alexandra Zebrowski; and Coaches Mike Heedles, Scott McAuley and Mark Quigle, on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Garden City High School Girls Soccer Team and to the aforementioned coaches.