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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Skaneateles Boys Soccer Team and Coach Kirk Atwater upon the occasion of winning the New York State Class B 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 Skaneateles Boys Soccer Team are the New York State Class B Champions; they defeated Burke Catholic by a score of 1-0; and

WHEREAS, The Skaneateles Boys Soccer Team reeled off 22 straight wins en route to its first-ever perfect season and state championship; through the journey to a state crown in Middletown, the Lakers upended their postseason opponents in a domineering fashion, outscoring their opponents 17-2 in six games; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Kirk Atwater 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 hallmarks of the Skaneateles Boys Soccer 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 Kirk Atwater 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 Coach Kirk Atwater 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 Skaneateles Boys Soccer Team; its members: AJ Richichi, Eric Edmunds, Jared Amory, Kevin Rice, Jeff Baldetti, Ian Hilpl, Michael Richards, Adam Miles, Spencer Parker, Jeff Higman, Ryan Farrell, Trevor Diamond, Trevor Hinman, Zach Brownlee, Sam Goodell, Sean Farrell, BJ Kerr, JJ Gregg, Austin Amory, Ryan Higman, Eric Pola, Alex Brownlee, Taylor Weyeneth, and Tim Lewis; and Coach Kirk Atwater and Assistant Coaches Aaron Moss, Jon Dower, and Pete O'Connor on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Skaneateles Boys Soccer Team and to the aforementioned coaches.