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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Cornell University student-athlete Kyle Dake upon the occasion of capturing his second consecutive NCAA Division I Wrestling 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, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize and pay tribute to those young people within the State of New York who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their school and community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Cornell University student-athlete Kyle Dake upon the occasion of capturing his second consecutive NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship; and

WHEREAS, On Saturday, March 19, 2011, Kyle Dake won his second consecutive national title for Cornell University, this time at 149 pounds, at the 2011 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships at Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Kyle Dake, the Big Red sophomore, seeded fourth, dominated No. 2 seed Frank Molinaro of Penn State University, 8-1, to win the title at 149 pounds; last year, Kyle Dake won the 141-pound title at the NCAAs in Omaha, Nebraska, beating Iowa University's Montell Marion in

the finals; and

WHEREAS, A product of Lansing, New York, Kyle Dake's overall record is outstanding; he was loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Kyle Dake has clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Cornell University student-athlete Kyle Dake upon the occasion of capturing his second consecutive NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Kyle Dake.