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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Corcoran High School Boys' Varsity Baseball Team and Coach Bob Southworth upon the occasion of capturing the 2011 Syracuse City High School Baseball 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, 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 Corcoran High School Boys' Varsity Baseball Team and Head Coach Bob Southworth upon the occasion of capturing the 2011 Syracuse City High School Baseball Championship; and WHEREAS, To bring home a Syracuse City High School Baseball Championship is a remarkable achievement; the Cougars defeated Fowler High School 3-1, which advanced them to the title game; and WHEREAS, The Cougars continued their success in the city tournament and defeated their rival Henninger High School 12-7 to capture the 2011 Syracuse City High School Baseball Championship; 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 2011 Corcoran Cougars whose players

included: Nate Boughton, Connor Condon, Jake Copich, Romero Crosby, Nate Donegan, Mike Downs, Marcus Fortin, Zack Kaplan, Liam Kirst, Ben McCrone, Ryan McGrath, Conor Nolan, Mike O'Neil, Colin O'Neil, Ryan O'Neil, Hector Santa, and Matt Thompson; and WHEREAS, The success of the Corcoran High School Boys' Varsity Baseball Team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach Bob Southworth, and his outstanding Assistant Coaches, Mike Shanahan, Bob Piraino, Andrew Matteson, Jim Mahaney, and Dan Capriotti, as well as Manager, Patrick Driscoll; the team was also assisted by the never-ending encouragement and support of friends, family and the community; and WHEREAS, The Corcoran High School Boys' Varsity Baseball Team 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 Corcoran High School Boys' Varsity Baseball Team and Head Coach Bob Southworth on their successful season; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Corcoran High School Boys' Varsity Baseball Team, Coach Bob Southworth, Assistant Coaches Mike Shanahan, Bob Piraino, Andrew Matteson, Jim Mahaney, and Dan Capriotti and Manager Patrick Driscoll.