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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Hicksville PAL Boys' Basketball Team upon the occasion of winning the 2014 Nassau County Police Activity League's Holiday Basketball Tournament

WHEREAS, Excellence and success in competitive team sports can be achieved only through strenuous practice, strong teamwork, and a dedicated coaching staff; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize those young people within our community, who, by achieving outstanding success in athletic competition, have inspired and brought pride to their school district and community; 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, Attendant to such concern, and in full accord with its long-standing traditions, this Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Hicksville PAL Boys' Basketball Team upon the occasion of winning the 2014 Nassau County Police Activity League's Holiday Basketball Tournament; and

WHEREAS, This is the fifth year the NCPAL has hosted a holiday basketball tournament, which is held in honor of Betty Ginnobi, who worked as the Nassau County PAL Corporate Bookkeeper for 20 years; she gave of her time and energies working closely with all the PAL Units and Police Officers to help keep PAL running smoothly; and

WHEREAS, A total of six Nassau County Police Activity League (NCPAL) units, serving the communities of Bethpage, Plainview, Bellmore, Wantagh-Seaford, Hicksville and Oyster Bay-East Norwich (OBEN) partic-

ipated in the tournament, with Hicksville being the No. 1 seed in the playoffs; and

WHEREAS, The Hicksville PAL Basketball Team beat Bellmore PAL 58-42 in the first playoff round and then captured the NCPAL's Holiday Basketball Tournament Championship after defeating Bethpage PAL 57-40; and

WHEREAS, Basketball is a wholesome sports activity for the young people of Hicksville, New York, and our Nation, involving children, teenagers, coaches, parents, sponsors and other interested men and women, helping to build character in young competitors through the life-long lessons of sportsmanship and competition learned on the court; and WHEREAS, Community athletic groups such as the Hicksville PAL Boys' Basketball Team help to provide a strong and stable environment for children and provide an opportunity for the community to bond through the recreation of sports competition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate the Hicksville PAL Boys' Basketball Team upon the occasion of winning the 2014 Nassau County Police Activity League's Holiday Basketball Tournament; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the Hicksville PAL Boys' Basketball Team.