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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating Nick Gwiazdowski on capturing the 285-pound Division I wrestling title at the 2015 NCAA Wrestling Championships

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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate Nick Gwiazdowski on capturing the 285-pound Division I wrestling title at the NCAA Wrestling Championships in St. Louis, Missouri, on Saturday, March 21, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Nick Gwiazdowski, a native of Delanson, New York, and a graduate of Duanesburgh High School, won his second consecutive NCAA wrestling title as a junior at North Carolina State University; and

WHEREAS, The No. 1 ranked wrestler in his weight class during the NCAA Tournament, Nick Gwiazdowski outscored his opponents by an impressive 45-14, going 5-0 in tournament matches en route to the final round; and

WHEREAS, During the title match, Nick Gwiazdowski scored an escape point in the final 17 seconds to secure an exciting 7-6 victory over his opponent from the University of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Nick Gwiazdowski has become the first wrestler in North Carolina State University history to win multiple NCAA titles, and is only the third ACC wrestler all-time to achieve this feat; in addition, he is now a three-time All-American, and just the seventh wrestler in school

history to receive All-American honors in consecutive years; and

WHEREAS, This esteemed student athlete's perfect record of 35-0, with 55 straight victories dating back to last season, 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 Nick Gwiazdowski has clearly made a contribution to the spirit of excellence which is a tradition of his community and school; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to congratulate Nick Gwiazdowski on capturing the 285-pound Division I wrestling title at the 2015 NCAA Wrestling Championships; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Nick Gwiazdowski