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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team and Coach James Giammattei upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class A State 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, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team and Coach James Giammattei upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class A State Championship on Sunday, March 22, 2015, at the Glens Falls Civic Center, Glens Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, The Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team won their second consecutive New York State Championship with an exciting 54-49 victory over Greece Athena High School; and

WHEREAS, With this victory, the Scotia-Glenville High School Tartans became the first Section II boys' basketball squad to ever repeat as state champions; they also extended a remarkable 53-game winning streak dating back to last season; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 26-0 is outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by the Tartans is due in great part to the efforts of Coach James Giammattei, a skilled and inspirational tutor, respected for his ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball 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 Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach James Giammattei has 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 James Giammattei 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 Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team; its members: Joe Almond, Diamond Corker, Joe Cremo, Michael Palleschi, Scott Stopera, Rhys TenEyck, Daniel Clune, Sean Degraffenreid, Trevor Martin, and Christian Corker; Head Coach James Giammattei; Assistant Coaches Glenn Stopera, Michael Rauch, and Mark Mortenson; and Manager Jonathan Sharer on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Scotia-Glenville High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team, and Coach James Giammattei.