

## Senator Farley Salutes Shenendehowa Boys Track Team

HUGH T. FARLEY June 9, 2015



State Senator Hugh T. Farley (R, C, I – Schenectady) had the pleasure of spending time with the members of the Shenendehowa High School Boys Track Team on June 8th when they came to the Capitol. He also presented them with a NYS Senate Resolution congratulating the 4x800m Relay Team and Coach Jason Burlingame upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Championship. He also congratulated Shenendehowa senior Shawn Bleichert for capturing the New York State 55-meter Hurdles Championship. Pictured with Senator Farley and the track team is Senator Marchione.

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The resolutions are as follows:

Senate Resolution No. 1471

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

Shenendehowa High School Boys 4x800m Relay Team and Coach Jason

Burlingame upon the occasion of capturing the New York State

Championship on March 7, 2015, at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York;

And

WHEREAS, The Shenendehowa Plainsmen won top honors in both the New York State Federation and Public School Championships with an Outstanding time of 7:56.72 seconds; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this relay team is due in Great part to the efforts of Coach Jason Burlingame and his staff, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall season record is outstanding, and the team members were loyally and enthusiastically supported by family,

fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, The hallmarks of the Shenendehowa High School Boys 4x800m Relay Team, from the opening meet 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 team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach Jason Burlingame and his dedicated staff have 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 Jason Burlingame and these four 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 Shenendehowa High School Boys 4x800m Relay Team; its members: Tyler Schmidt, Connor Buhrmeister, Mitchell Halpern, and Collin Rowe; Coach Jason Burlingame, and Assistant Coaches Lance Jordan, Mike Marino and Scott Dochart 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 Shenendehowa High School Boys 4x800m Relay Team, and Coach Jason Burlingame.

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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 Shenendehowa student-athlete Shawn Bleichert upon the occasion of capturing the New York State 55-meter Hurdles Championship

on March 7, 2015, at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York; and

WHEREAS, A stand-out athlete, Shawn Bleichert won the New York State

Public School Title with an impressive time of 7.47 seconds; and

WHEREAS, Shawn Bleichert's overall record is outstanding; he was loyally and enthusiastically supported by family, fans, friends and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, Coach Jason Burlingame and his staff have done a superb job in guiding, molding and inspiring Shawn Bleichert toward his goals; and

WHEREAS, Sports competition instills the values of teamwork, pride and accomplishment, and Shawn Bleichert 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 Shenendehowa senior Shawn Bleichert; Coach Jason Burlingame, and Assistant Coaches Lance Jordan, Mike Marino, and Scott Dochat upon the occasion of capturing the New York State 55-meter Hurdles Championship; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to Shawn Bleichert, and Coach Jason Burlingame.