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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Longwood High School Varsity Football Team and Coach Jefferson Cipp upon the occasion of capturing the 2015 Long Island Class I 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, The Longwood High School Varsity Football Team Lions captured the 2015 Long Island Class I Championship with an impressive 47-28 triumph over Farmingdale High School on Sunday, November 29, 2015, at Stony Brook University's LaValle Stadium, Stony Brook, New York; and

WHEREAS, With this victory, the Longwood Lions have achieved their third Class I title in school history, while also setting a new Long Island Championship game record with 555 rushing yards; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Jefferson Cipp and his team of outstanding assistant coaches, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and

WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 11-1, including eight consecutive victories to end the season, 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 2015 Longwood High School Varsity Football Team, from the opening game of the season, to participation in the

Long Island Class I 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 community; and

WHEREAS, Coach Jefferson Cipp 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 Jefferson Cipp 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 2015 Longwood High School Varsity Football Team, its members: Marquis Simpson, Andy Martinez, Daniel Echeverria, Sean Rausch, Khalil Owens, Michael Linbrunner, Erwin Zugel, Will Condron, Mehmet Nayci, Gary Grant, Sam Wesbee, Tahj Clark, Alex Arciniega, Jordan Shuman, Josh Rivers, Kyle George, Mike Scalice, David Perez, Jalen Hunter, Maleik Bonner, Latrell Horton, Yerneliz Cruz, Carl Schmidt, Antonio Scala, Malcolm Lingard, Jared Baker, Carlos Rivero, Alex Velazquez, Luke Schuster, Albert Black, James Civil, Elijah Muhammad, Tyler Herrmann, Vincent Feliciano, De-Quan Owens, Matt Weiss, Omar Anderson, Nick Castrova, William Monahan, Jordan Cardenas, Anthony Lavio, Jaquell Clark, Colton Cummings, Anthony Dell'Olio, Justin Fried and Michael Heeren; Head Coach Jefferson Cipp; Assistant Head Coach John Murphy; Assistant Coaches Sean Kluber, Bernard Hanson, and Gino Cruz; Superintendent Dr. Michael Lonergan; Principal Scott Schuster; Athletic

Director Gina Curiale; and Athletic Trainer Michele Mensch, on their championship season and overall team record; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

mitted to the 2015 Longwood High School Varsity Football Team and the
aforementioned coaches and staff.