

## 2015-K1567

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Bayside High School Baseball Team upon the occasion of capturing the PSAL AA City Championship on June 13, 2016

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 Commodores made it to the Championship game in a dominating 4-0 win against East Side Community on Saturday, June 4, 2016; and

WHEREAS, With a strong pitching crew and exceptional defense, the Bayside High School Baseball Team captured their first PSAL AA City Championship with an exciting 3-2 win over Eleanor Roosevelt at Yankee Stadium, Bronx, New York, on Monday, June 13, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Coach Pat Torney, and the 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 24-3-1 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 Bayside High School Baseball 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 team members have proven themselves to be an unbeatable combination of talents, reflecting favorably on their school; and

WHEREAS, Coach Pat Torney 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 Pat Torney and his 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 Bayside High School Baseball Team; its members: Daniel Alfonzo, Joshua Aponte, Jeremy Arenas, Christian Caraballo, Anthony Costa, John DeCastro, Matthew DeMartini, Joseph DiPaola, Pasquale Gagliano, Jesse Iacovetta, Sean Lynch Dall, Hassan Mabrouk, Dimitri Papazoglou, Oliver Rodriguez Reyes, Jesse Spellman, Brandon Torres, and Johncarlo Zazzarino; and Coach Pat Torney 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 Bayside High School Baseball Team and to Coach Pat Torney.