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Senate Resolution No. 1362

BY: Senator RANZENHOFER

CONGRATULATING the Williamsville North High School Boys Ice Hockey Team and Head Coach Bob Rosen upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class A Division 1 Championship on March 12, 2017

WHEREAS, Individual and team championships are highly sought after in high school sports; this Legislative Body commends rare athletic achievements and pays special recognition to those who pursue such excellence and become examples for the youth of this great Empire State; and

WHEREAS, Athletic competition helps to enhance both the moral and physical development of young athletes, preparing them for the future by instilling in them the importance of teamwork, encouraging a standard of healthy living, and developing a sense of fair play and competition; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body is justly proud to congratulate the Williamsville North High School Boys Ice Hockey Team and Head Coach Bob Rosen upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Class A Division 1 Championship; to the praise and applause of their excited fans, the Spartans defeated Pittsford High School in an exciting 3-2 victory to capture the Championship on Sunday, March 12, 2017, at the HarborCenter in Buffalo,

New York; and

WHEREAS, This monumental win marked the Williamsville North High School Boys Ice Hockey Team's fifth Division 1 title; after a slow start, the Spartans dominated possession, outshooting Pittsford 8-4 in the first period and 31-15 overall; and

WHEREAS, Proudly donning the school's colors of green and gold, family, friends, and the community at large loyally and enthusiastically supported the Spartans throughout their journey as they ended their season with an impressive 22-4 overall record; and

WHEREAS, In a sport such as ice hockey, which demands athletic prowess, speed and agility, Head Coach Bob Rosen and his expert coaching staff worked hard to hone the skills of this championship team, teaching these outstanding athletes lessons which will prove invaluable both on and off the ice; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Bob Rosen and all of the outstanding athletes on the Williamsville North High School Boys Ice Hockey Team have clearly utilized dedication, determination and teamwork in providing a lasting 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 members of the Williamsville North High School Boys Ice Hockey Team; Head Coach Bob Rosen; and Assistant Coaches Brian Willison, John Burns, and Greg Brown upon the occasion of capturing the New York

State Public High School Athletic Association Class A Division 1 Championship on March 12, 2017; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the members of the Williamsville North High School Boys Ice Hockey Team, Head Coach Bob Rosen, and Assistant Coaches Brian Willison, John Burns, and Greg Brown.