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LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION congratulating the Port Jefferson Boys Varsity Soccer Team and Coach John Poulianos upon the occasion of capturing the New York State Class C 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 Port Jefferson Boys Varsity Soccer Team are the New York State Class C Champions; on Sunday, November 18, 2012, the Royals defeated Lansing High School by a score of 1-0, in order to claim their state title; in addition, the Royals are the Suffolk County and Long Island Champions for the Class C Division; and WHEREAS, The athletic talent displayed by this team is due in great part to the efforts of Head Coach John Poulianos along with Assistant Coach James Poulianos, skilled and inspirational tutors, respected for their ability to develop potential into excellence; and WHEREAS, The team's overall record of 20-0 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 Port Jefferson Boys Varsity Soccer 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 John Poulianos 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 John Poulianos 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 Port Jefferson Boys Varsity Soccer Team; its members: Casey Abelein, Cihad Akkaya, Vincent Antonelli, Blake Bohlen, Alexander Bruno, Harrison Colucci, Connor Crovello, Nicholas D'Auria, Gabriel Davis, Corey De Groot, Erik Esposito, Jonathan Famularo, Kareem Ghaleb, Daniel Gross, Tristan Hoffman, Christopher Julich, Stanley Klasek, Jacob Lovera, James Murphy, Nathanial Place, Romain Popescu, Gerard Racanelli, Steven Rose, Amr Abdel Salam, Reiner Scheurich, Jasper Rubin-Sigler, and Kent Ueno; and Coaches John and James Poulianos on their outstanding season and overall team record; and be it further RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution, suitably engrossed, be tran-

smitted to the Port Jefferson Boys Varsity Soccer Team and to the aforementioned coaches.