## 112TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. RES. 544

Congratulating the National Football League champion New York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 8, 2012

Mr. Rothman of New Jersey (for himself, Ms. Clarke of New York, Mr. Pierluisi, Mr. Nadler, Mr. Meeks, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Serrano, Mr. Owens, Mr. Israel, Mr. Towns, Mr. Sires, Mr. Bishop of New York, Mrs. Lowey, Mr. Engel, Mr. Ruppersberger, Mrs. Maloney, Mr. Pallone, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Hinchey, Mr. Grimm, Mr. Hanna, Mrs. McCarthy of New York, Mr. Reed, Mr. Payne, Mr. Holt, and Mr. Murphy of Connecticut) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

## RESOLUTION

Congratulating the National Football League champion New York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI.

- Whereas, on February 5, 2012, in Indianapolis, Indiana, the New York Giants defeated the New England Patriots by a score of 21 to 17 in Super Bowl XLVI to win the National Football League Championship;
- Whereas the New England Patriots had a tremendous season, winning the American Football Conference Eastern Division and representing the American Football Conference in the Super Bowl;

Whereas during the postseason for the 2011–2012 regular season, the Giants defeated an Atlanta Falcons team with a regular season record of 10 wins and 6 losses, a Green Bay Packers team with a regular season record of 15 wins and 1 loss, a San Francisco 49ers team with a regular season record of 13 wins and 3 losses, and a New England Patriots team with a regular season record of 13 wins and 3 losses, thus becoming the first team to beat 4 teams in the playoffs with regular season records better than their own;

Whereas the Giants have been the model of resilience this season by overcoming both injury and adversity, having to place 13 players on injured reserve and becoming the first team to win the Super Bowl after losing 7 games in the regular season;

Whereas quarterback Elisha Nelson "Eli" Manning, who completed 30 passes for 296 yards and 1 touchdown in the Super Bowl, and who improved his record as a starting quarterback in the postseason to 8 wins and 3 losses (and his record as a starting quarterback in the Super Bowl to 2 wins and 0 losses), was voted the winner of the Pete Rozelle Trophy, awarded to the Most Valuable Player of the Super Bowl, becoming the first Giants player to win the award more than once and only the fifth player to do so in National Football League history, proving that he is truly one of the game's elite quarterbacks;

Whereas Tom Coughlin, in his eighth season as head coach of the Giants, has led his team to the playoffs 5 times, and this season, with the help of Defensive Coordinator Perry Fewell, Offensive Coordinator Kevin Gilbride, and the entire Giants coaching staff, led the Giants to victory

in Super Bowl XLVI, proudly bringing the Vince Lombardi Trophy back to New Jersey;

- Whereas the Giants organization is one of the most successful in National Football League history, boasting 15 Hall of Fame players, 28 postseason appearances, more than 600 wins, 18 National Football League divisional championships, and 8 National Football League championships, including remarkable title runs in 1987, 1991, 2008, and 2012 (Super Bowls XXI, XXV, XLII, and XLVI) that captivated fans in New York, in New Jersey, and around the country;
- Whereas Giants owner and Chief Executive Officer John Mara and Executive Vice President Steve Tisch have done a remarkable job leading this storied franchise with the assistance and dedication of their talented staff;
- Whereas the Giants have played all their home games in the Meadowlands Sports Complex, located in East Rutherford, New Jersey, since 1976 and have supported Bergen County and the New York and northern New Jersey areas with community outreach projects; and
- Whereas the entire Giants franchise has become a model of professionalism, teamwork, and community service in representing the entire New York and New Jersey metropolitan area: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives con-
- 2 gratulates the National Football League champion New
- 3 York Giants for winning Super Bowl XLVI.