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TAKING ON AUTISM FROM THE LACROSSE FIELD

Legislator Steve Stern recognizes the Quinto Family during the 4th Annual Hills vs Autism tournament



Legislator Steve Stern presents a Proclamation to the Quinto Family during the 4th Annual Hills vs. Autism lacrosse tournament at Half Hollow Hills High School East.

HUNTINGTON, NY – Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern (D-Huntington) 16th L.D., recognized the Quinto family, of Melville, during the 4th Annual Hills vs. Autism fundraiser lacrosse tournament at Half Hollow Hills High School East July 15.

Brothers Drew Quinto, 16, and Corey Quinto, 19, have shared their love for lacrosse since they were young kids. However, at just 13 years old, Drew noticed that there weren't many opportunities for Corey, who is on the autism spectrum, to be involved in the wider social or athletic activities within the sport. Inspired by their favorite game, the pair co-founded Hills vs. Autism, with "One Goal, One Dream" in mind: to allow all individuals the opportunity to participate in social and athletic activities so that they may reach their full potential.

Hills vs. Autism makes it possible for challenger team lacrosse players to come together in a day-long tournament to compete and enhance their social and athletic skills, while also promoting awareness, tolerance and acceptance for children and young people with autism.

With the help of their parents, Allison and Paul, Hills vs. Autism has raised more than \$75,000 for local autism programs.

“The Quinto Family has made it possible for hundreds of talented young athletes to enhance their skills, both on and off the field. I congratulate Drew, Corey, Allison and Paul on the fourth anniversary of this commendable event, but most importantly, I thank them for the opportunities they have given so many in our communities to rise above challenges and meet their full potential.”