

No. R-133. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 Woodstock Union High School Wasps Division II championship boys' basketball team.

(H.C.R.97)

Offered by: Representatives Clarkson of Woodstock, Tate of Mendon, and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators Campbell, McCormack, and Nitka

Whereas, as recently as 2011–2012, the Woodstock Wasps were only 7–14, but during the following two seasons, they showed marked improvement, breaking the critical 50 percent barrier with an 11–10 record in 2012–2013, and playing even better in 2013–2014 finishing 16–7, and reaching the semifinal playoff round, and

Whereas, the 2014–2015 Wasps remained undefeated throughout the regular season, and, as the No. 1 seed, continued triumphantly into the Division II championship game against Enosburg Falls High School, and

Whereas, at the decisive game in Barre, the Wasps fell behind by a score of 5–12 early on but quickly surmounted that shortfall, and despite a slight 56–54 lead with only 2:03 remaining of regulation play, the Wasps ignited for a final surge to win the game 65–56 and clinch the Division II championship, and

Whereas, this first Woodstock divisional championship boys' basketball squad since 1999, and the first undefeated in half a century, included Hunter McDonough, Dylan McDonough, Riley Powers, Nehemiah Wood, Mason Thompson, Kurt Ryder, Jack Arthur, Alex Crompton, Patrick Dugan, Curran MacDonald, Teo Simpson, Chris Townley, Connor Fegard, Ray Kurek, and Lucas Godfrey, and

Whereas, coach Jeff Thomas, junior varsity coach Tom Avellino, assistant coach Dave Doubleday, statistician-scorekeeper Andy Cole, clock monitor Terry Harlow, and team manager Ryan McLiverty all contributed to the Wasps' perfect season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2015 Woodstock Union High School Wasps Division II championship boys' basketball team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Woodstock Union High School.