

No. R-164. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Mount St. Joseph Academy Lady Mounties Division IV championship girls' basketball team.

(H.C.R.129)

Offered by: Representatives Howard of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Helm of Fair Haven, McCoy of Poultney, Norris of Shoreham, Potter of Clarendon, Shaw of Pittsford, Sullivan of Dorset, and Tate of Mendon

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Flory, and Mullin

Whereas, as the Division IV girls' basketball champions for the last two consecutive seasons and fielding a strong squad of players for 2016–2017 competition, the Mount St. Joseph (MSJ) Lady Mounties had the potential for great success this past fall and winter on the basketball court, and

Whereas, MSJ did not disappoint its Rutland area fans as the team lost only one regular season game and secured the top seed for the playoffs, and

Whereas, staying true to form, the Mounties continued to play superbly, securing a berth in the Division IV championship game against the second-seeded West Rutland Golden Horde, a team MSJ had defeated in their preceding seven consecutive games, and

Whereas, when the two squads tipped off at the Barre Auditorium, MSJ took the first quarter lead but trailed 19–15 at halftime, however, the Mounties soon surged ahead to clinch a commanding 50–36 victory, their third consecutive Division IV title, and they have now compiled an impressive four-season 86–6 record, and

Whereas, Mounties Jenna Eaton, Olivia Corbett, Gabby Giancola, Bryn McClallen, Izzy Harvey, Angela Perry, Shannon Elms, Lyndsey Elms, Katelyn Schutt, Sophia Duffy, Bethany Garrow, Emily Rappeno, Sophia Tedesco, and Kristen Elliott created a true team effort in their championship drive, and

Whereas, Head Coach Dan Elliott and assistant coaches Aaron Eaton, Bill Brusio, Rob Harvey, and GJ Garrow provided strategic advice that was much appreciated, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2017 Mount St. Joseph Academy Lady Mounties Division IV championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mount St. Joseph Academy.