

No. R-435. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 West Rutland High School Golden Horde Division IV girls' championship softball team.

(H.C.R.361)

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon and Burditt of West Rutland

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Flory, and Soucy

Whereas, the 2017 West Rutland High School softball team included a contingent of outstanding senior athletes, who, despite competing together for four years in several varsity sports, had never won an athletic championship, and

Whereas, not surprisingly, as the top-seeded team in the 2017 Division IV softball playoffs, the Golden Horde secured a berth in the championship game, played in Poultney against the third-seeded Whitechester Mountaineers (the recently formed joint team representing Whitcomb and Rochester high schools), and

Whereas, the Mountaineers opened the fifth inning with the game's first three runs, the Golden Horde responded with four runs, and, with the game tied in the bottom of the sixth at six-all, West Rutland scored the tie-breaking run, winning a 7-6 game victory and the 2017 Division IV title, and

Whereas, the winning West Rutland players were Brooke Raiche, Katie Callahan, Lauren Harvey, Julia May, Kelsey Wedin, Abby Kukene, Maddison McGuinness, Robyn Bradley, Shelby Grabowski, Rebecca DeKalb, Isabella Turner-Burrell, Lily Turner-Burrell, Deanna Kenyon, Bailey Sevigny, Becky Sanderson, Alana Raymond, and Kiera Pipeling, and

Whereas, coaches Carl Serrani and Laurie Serrani were superb team strategists, and student manager Kaylee Svitak was a valued team resource, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2017 West Rutland High School Golden Horde Division IV girls' championship softball team, and be it further

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