CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

Text of House Concurrent Resolutions

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Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rules 16a -16d

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H.C.R. 81

Offered by Representatives Krowinski of Burlington, Arsenault of Williston, Berbeco of Winooski, Bishop of Colchester, Black of Essex, Bluemle of Burlington, Bos-Lun of Westminster, Boyden of Cambridge, Burke of Brattleboro, Burrows of West Windsor, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Casey of Montpelier, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Coffin of Cavendish, Cole of Hartford, Corcoran of Bennington, Cordes of Bristol, Dodge of Essex, Dolan of Essex Junction, Garofano of Essex, Goslant of Northfield, Graning of Jericho, Gregoire of Fairfield, Harrison of Chittenden, Headrick of Burlington, Holcombe of Norwich, Houghton of Essex Junction, Howard of Rutland City, Hunter of Manchester, Kleppner of Burlington, Kornheiser of Brattleboro, Krasnow of South Burlington, Labor of Morgan, Lalley of Shelburne, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lipsky of Stowe, Logan of Burlington, Long of Newfane, Luneau of St. Albans City, Masland of Thetford, McCann of Montpelier, McCoy of Poultney, McGill of Bridport, Minier of South Burlington, Morris of Springfield, Nugent of South Burlington, Ode of Burlington, Page of Newport City, Pouech of Hinesburg, Priestley of Bradford, Rachelson of Burlington, Scheu of Middlebury, Sibilia of Dover, Stevens of Waterbury, Stone of Burlington, Surprenant of Barnard, Sweeney of Shelburne, Tomlinson of Winooski, Waszazak of Barre City, Waters Evans of Charlotte, Wells of Brownington, White of Waitsfield, Wood of Waterbury, and Yacovone of Morristown

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Bakersfield Select Board member Brenda Churchill

Whereas, to many, Brenda Churchill was best known as a leading advocate for transgender rights within the LGBTQIA+ community, but this was not her sole civic or political engagement, and

Whereas, for over two decades, she was employed in the telecommunications industry and later brought this professional expertise to her service on the board of Northwest Fiberworx, the Communications Union District serving Franklin and Grand Isle Counties, and

*Wher*eas, Brenda Churchill served as a key aide in Christine Hallquist's 2018 gubernatorial campaign, and she completed the Emerge Vermont candidate training program, and also served on the organization's board, and

Whereas, as the legislative liaison for the LGBTQIA Alliance of Vermont, her efforts were critical in legislative enactments related to ethnic and social equity studies in public schools; the provision of gender-neutral bathrooms; adding a non-binary designation option for Vermont drivers' licenses; and establishing a birth certificate authentication process, and

Whereas, Brenda Churchill's interests also focused on municipal government in the Town of Bakersfield, where she served as a zoning official and the local American Rescue Plan manager, and she won election as both a justice of the peace and select board member, and

Whereas, during the 2020 U.S. Census, she served as one of the Vermonters performing the vital role of data collector for the decennial headcount, and

Whereas, when not engaged in one of her many public or nonprofit sector roles, Brenda Churchill loved riding her bright orange Jeep off-trail on interesting journeys, and

Whereas, Brenda Churchill's participation in local and State government culminated in being selected as a member of the Vermont Commission on Women, and

Whereas, on January 13, 2025, Brenda Churchill died at 67 years of age, and her survivors include her partner, Sarah Chapman; her children; and her grandchildren, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Brenda Churchill, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to her family, the Bakersfield Town Clerk, and the Vermont Commission on Women.

H.C.R. 82

Offered by Representatives Canfield of Fair Haven, Casey of Hubbardton, and Harvey of Castleton

Offered by Senators Collamore, Hardy, Heffernan, Weeks, and Williams

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Fair Haven Union High School Slaters State championship bowling team

Whereas, during the 2024–2025 season on the bowling lanes, the second-seeded Fair Haven Slaters experienced its strongest challenge from the top-ranked Randolph Union High Galloping Ghosts, and after defeating South Burlington and Essex in the quarter-final and semifinal rounds, the Slaters confronted their archrival for the State title at the Spare Time bowling facility in Colchester, and

Whereas, despite losing the opening game to Randolph (172–150), the Slaters immediately rebounded, winning the second (161–146), the third (243–177), the fifth (217–168), and the sixth (233–164), and with four victories, Fair Haven clinched the best-of-seven final round and won the 2025 State bowling championship, and

Whereas, a caravan of over 20 cars greeted the victorious team in Castleton and escorted the jubilant Slaters back to school, and

Whereas, the championship Slater bowlers were Wyatt DeLance, Aiden Goyette, Nathan Bessette, Inshik Adams-Silva, Emma Eckler, Eli Donaldson, Dylan Bania, Michael Towle, Korbin Hayes, George Stamp, Madison Stamp, and Amberlyn Haley, and

Whereas, Head Coach Joe Donaldson and Assistant Coach Ron Carrrara were superb guides for the team, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Fair Haven Union High School Slaters State championship bowling team, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 83

Offered by All Members of the House

Offered by All Members of the Senate

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2024 Green Mountain Council Class of Eagle Scouts

Whereas, earning the rank of Eagle Scout is a special honor that only a small percentage of young persons enrolled in the Boy Scouts of America achieves, and

Whereas, an Eagle Scout is an individual who exhibits a strong commitment to service and perseveres to reach this challenging goal, and

Whereas, the following Scouts proudly achieved the rank of Eagle during 2024: Skyler Martinson, Colton Wild, Aiden Blanchard, Mason Schade, Shane Morse, Aden Michael, Sean Plumer, Lincoln Hurley, John Mosher, Riley Beckett, Craig Bouffard, Newt Bowker, Benjamin Edwards, Reilly Kilpatrick, Carl Laverty, Elliot Miklus, Aiden Powell, Spencer Levi, Xavier Richardson, Marc Stearns, Evan Kaigle, Devin Schlegel-Barber, Rose Brassard, Braeden Appel, Micah Killam, Channing Roper, Rhett Gardner, William Kallock, Nicholas Russell, Truman Bates, Nicholas Bushey, Zachary Bushey, Adam Kett, Henry Lawrence, Delainey LeBlanc, Liam Slattery, Jillian Koval, Oliver Bailey, Spencer Adams, Spencer Gebo, Zachary Norris, Gabriel Scribner, Aidan Hall, Mitchell Knowles, Warren Kingsbury, Oliver Andersen, Trevor Hazelton, Brendan Delaney, Joseph Donerkiel, Ethan Little, and Jaedon Beardsley, and

Whereas, all of these Scouts deserve commendation for their dedication and achievement, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2024 Green Mountain Council Class of Eagle Scouts, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each Eagle Scout honored in this resolution and to the Green Mountain Council.

H.C.R. 84

Offered by Representatives Morrissey of Bennington, Cooper of Pownal, Corcoran of Bennington, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Greer of Bennington, and Nigro of Bennington

Offered by Senators Bongartz and Plunkett

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Mount Anthony Union High School Patriot wrestling program on winning its 36th consecutive State championship

Whereas, the saga of Mount Anthony's generation of wrestling excellence is truly legendary in the annals of interscholastic athletic competition in Vermont, and

Whereas, at the 2025 State championship tournament conducted at the Barre Auditorium, the tension remained high until the day's conclusion, as the Patriots and the Middlebury Tigers were tied at 199 points with only eight final bouts remaining, and

Whereas, in the decisive moments that followed, Mount Anthony regained the lead after a Patriot pinned a Springfield wrestler and an Essex 106-pound-class wrestler outlasted a Middlebury Tiger, sealing a Patriot 211.5–199 win over its Addison County rival, and

Whereas, the thrilled Mount Anthony wrestlers, who also clinched the 150- and 132-pound weight classes, were Sylas Race, Vincent Deysenroth, Dominic Myers, Joel Pacher, Duncan Harrington, Asa Reis, Carter Tifft, Tyler Monick, Spencer Boucher, Peddie Jenkins, Landon Jarvis, James Murphy, Aiden Riordan, Ian Denue, and Ryan Marsden, and

Whereas, Head Coach Frank Gaudette, with the great support of assistant coaches Corey Greene, John Bushee, Scott Legacy Jr., Ken Volkmer, Chris Glaski, and Scott Frost, and Team Manager Addison Crowley, enabled the Patriots to maximize their wrestling prowess, and

Whereas, later, at the New England Championships held in Providence, Rhode Island, a Patriot placed fourth in the 138-pound class, marking the first time in the past three seasons that a Mount Anthony wrestler has earned a podium appearance at the regional tournament, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Mount Anthony Union High School Patriot wrestling program on winning its 36th consecutive State championship, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 85

Offered by Representatives Page of Newport City, Higley of Lowell, Labor of Morgan, Marcotte of Coventry, Nelson of Derby, and Wells of Brownington

Offered by Senators Douglass and Ingalls

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 North Country Union High School Falcons' exemplary snowboarding teams

Whereas, many Vermont high schools now boast varsity snowboarding teams, and, in 2025, the Jay Peak Resort hosted the girls' and boys' combined State championship meet, and

Whereas, the North Country Falcons, snowboarding on familiar trails, delighted their hometown supporters, and

Whereas, the Falcon girls' performances were superb, and especially memorable was a team member who won the overall individual State girls' title, and a North Country colleague trailed closely with a third-place finish, and

Whereas, although not the team champions, the Falcon girls, consisting of Aine Remmers, Dakotah Bowen, Willow Clements, Aubrey Sicotte, Haven Brunell, Eliah Dillion, and Sophie Corkins, scored a strong second-place overall score, and

Whereas, the Falcon boys won both the giant slalom, in which quickness and steadiness on the slope are essential elements, and the rail jam, a competition profiling a snowboarder's ability to perform tricks on a rail or rails while being assessed for style, technique, and creativity, and

Whereas, after tallying all the boys' scores, North Country was on top, surpassing second-place Burr and Burton Academy, and the Falcon team, composed of Carson Limlaw, Logan Ellis, Quinn Goff, Armond Capron, Carson LaCroix, Emmett Williams, Chase Currie, and Gregory Rondeau, proudly brought home their school's first snowboarding title, and

Whereas, Head Coach Robert Walls-Thumma, who returned to North Country this year after coaching elsewhere, and Assistant Coach Beth Koennincke were proud of all the North Country snowboarders' achievements, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 North Country Union High School Falcons' exemplary snowboarding teams, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 86

Offered by Representatives McCann of Montpelier, Casey of Montpelier, Brady of Williston, Brown of Richmond, Conlon of Cornwall, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Harple of Glover, Hooper of Randolph, Hunter of Manchester, Long of Newfane, Quimby of Lyndon, Satcowitz of Randolph, Taylor of Milton, and Toof of St. Albans Town

Offered by Senators Cummings, Perchlik, and Watson

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Montpelier High School Solons Division II girls' Nordic championship ski team

Whereas, the winter of 2025 proved propitious for the Solons girls' Nordic skiers as they dashed and glided their way to glory, and

Whereas, this confident and skilled contingent of snowy trail enthusiasts was exceptionally well prepared, having earned second place in each of the prior two years, and

Whereas, the two-day skiing competition consisted of the first day's freestyle runs held in Craftsbury and the concluding day's classical racing at Prospect Mountain, at which Montpelier emerged as the day's winner, and

Whereas, when all the scores were tallied, the Solons had clinched the 2025 Nordic skiing title, and the delighted Montpelier skiers were Phoebe Bakeman, Sara Saligman McGill, Anna Newara, Adele Pritchard, Clare Pritchard, Miriam Serota-Winston, Marie Voisin, and Anna Wetherell, and

Whereas, Head Coach Brian Carlson and assistant coaches Jason Serota-Winston and Hugh Pritchard were proud of the team, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Montpelier High School Solons Division II girls' Nordic championship ski team, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 87

Offered by Representatives McCann of Montpelier, Casey of Montpelier, Brady of Williston, Brown of Richmond, Conlon of Cornwall, Dobrovich of Williamstown, Harple of Glover, Hooper of Randolph, Hunter of Manchester, Long of Newfane, Quimby of Lyndon, Satcowitz of Randolph, Taylor of Milton, and Toof of St. Albans Town

Offered by Senators Cummings, Perchlik, and Watson

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Montpelier High School Solons boys' basketball program on winning a fifth consecutive Division II championship

Whereas, during the 2024–2025 regular season, the first-seeded Solons and the third-seeded Harwood Highlanders had two encounters in which Montpelier strongly outscored Harwood, and the highly experienced Solons team was determined to repeat those earlier on-court performances at the Division II championship contest played at the Barre Auditorium, and

Whereas, the game proved to be a spirited hoop encounter, as at halftime the 40–30 Montpelier lead was not insurmountable, and

Whereas, recognizing the Highlanders' perseverance, the Solons accelerated their fourth-quarter drive, outscoring Harwood 19–10, ensuring a final 68–57 victory, and achieving a consecutive-year boys' basketball championship record not seen in Vermont high school competition in over three decades, and

Whereas, the victorious Solons were Kayden Anderson-Hall, Kleo Bridge, Carter Bruzzese, Carson Cody, Clayton Foster, Cayden Haley, Winter Holloway, Weston Jones, Atif Milak, Orion Nuss, Joseph Nyiringabo, Stone Poor, Colby Sterling-Proulx, Eliades Toman-Greenberg, and Alex Weinstein, and

Whereas, Head Coach Nick Foster and assistant coaches Bill Bruzzese, Ryan Booth, and Anthony Roberts inspired the team throughout the 2024–2025 basketball season, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Montpelier High School Solons boys' basketball program on winning a fifth consecutive Division II championship, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 88

Offered by Representatives Masland of Thetford and Holcombe of Norwich

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Thetford Academy inductees into the National Technical Honor Society

Whereas, juniors and seniors who are enrolled at Thetford Academy and desire to pursue a technical education curriculum are eligible to attend the River Bend Career and Technical Center in Bradford, and

Whereas, River Bend Career and Technical Center offers a broad set of curriculum choices in the realm of technical education from which students may select to focus, and

Whereas, students who excel in their studies at River Bend Career and Technical Center, regardless of their subject specialization, may be selected for membership in the National Technical Honor Society, and

Whereas, receipt of this special recognition is offered to students "who demonstrate scholastic excellence, honesty, dependability, and responsibility, as well as leadership, good citizenship, and pride in their work," and

Whereas, on March 12, 2025, six jointly enrolled students became proud members of the National Technical Honor Society, and

Whereas, these students and their subject specializations are Hunter Clay (construction), Heidi Hewes (health science), Joshua King (heavy equipment), Ashlyn Osgood (emergency services), Rebecca Osgood (emergency services), and Dillon Vance (construction), and each has demonstrated scholastic excellence meriting special commendation, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Thetford Academy inductees into the National Technical Honor Society, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the students recognized in this resolution.

H.C.R. 89

Offered by Representatives Canfield of Fair Haven, Casey of Hubbardton, Harvey of Castleton, McCoy of Poultney, and Toof of St. Albans Town

Offered by Senators Collamore, Hardy, Heffernan, Weeks, and Williams

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Fair Haven Union High School Slaters girls' basketball team on winning a second consecutive Division II championship

Whereas, the Division II girls' basketball ultimate playoff game at Barre Auditorium proved to be a contest between two closely matched and defensively focused squads, and

Whereas, the top-seeded North Country Falcons narrowly led the second-ranked and defending titleholder, Fair Haven Slaters, 22–21, with roughly three minutes remaining in the third period, a score that left the final outcome unknown to all the fans watching at the Barre Auditorium, and

Whereas, recognizing that they were perilously close to losing their championship title, the Slaters charged full steam ahead, igniting a 9–0 scoring spree that reset the scenario with an encouraging 30–22 Fair Haven lead, and although North Country momentarily regained momentum, narrowing the Rutland County hoopsters' advantage to 30–29, Fair Haven's final surge contributed to the Slaters' 37–31 come-from-behind victory, and

Whereas, the Slaters' roster featured Elizabeth Love, Orianna Kerr, Megan Wetmore, Maddy Perry, Kate Hadwen, Quinn Murphy, Riley Babbie, Audrey Perry, Madi Hayes, Isabelle Cole, Callie LaRock, Brianna Cathcart, Ryleigh Murray, and Victoria Kelly, and

Whereas, Head Coach Kyle Wilson; assistant coaches Jay Wilson, Leo Hutchins, Chad Wilson, and Henry Daley; and team managers Rose Ouimet and Taylor Wilson appreciated the extra initiative that the team contributed to the successful 2025 season, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Fair Haven Union High School Slaters girls' basketball team on winning a second consecutive Division II championship, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 90

Offered by Representatives Rachelson of Burlington, Bluemle of Burlington, Cina of Burlington, Duke of Burlington, Headrick of Burlington, Hooper of Burlington, Kleppner of Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, Logan of Burlington, Ode of Burlington, and Stone of Burlington

Offered by Senators Gulick, Baruth, Chittenden, Lyons, Ram Hinsdale, Vyhovsky, Beck, Brennan, Clarkson, Collamore, Cummings, Douglass, Hardy, Harrison, Hart, Major, Mattos, Perchlik, Weeks, Westman, White, and Williams

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Burlington High School Seahorses Division I championship girls' basketball team

Whereas, 49 years is an extraordinary interval between earning championship titles, or even playing in this decisive game, but that was the Seahorses' legacy, and in 2025, they were determined to end this prolonged drought on both scores, and

Whereas, fielding a talented third-seeded team, Burlington tipped off at the University of Vermont's Patrick Gymnasium before a cheering hometown crowd against the top-seeded St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers, and

Whereas, Burlington emerged onto the court after Wanda Hines, a special fan and supporter, and a Seahorses MVP in 1975 and 1976 (the last two years the team won a divisional championship), delivered an inspiring pre-game pep talk to the players, and

Whereas, the highly motivated Seahorses were in command throughout the game, developing a first-quarter 18-point lead, and with two of the girls scoring 20 points each, the 53–33 victory was most satisfying but hardly surprising, and

Whereas, the history-making Seahorses (19–4) were Emma Maley, Nylah Mitchell, Bree McDonald, Mae Yenkavitch, Hawa Mubarak, Sienna Pitts, Rowan Thomas-Demeritt, Harper Gutheim, Roslen Wallstrom, Rosa Kori, and Elizabeth Lorrain, and

Whereas, Head Coach Beverlis Robertson, assistant coaches Brittany Robertson and Klaire Ware, and Manager Livia Jatlow-Carter were stupendous teachers and supporters, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Burlington High School Seahorses Division I championship girls' basketball team, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 91

Offered by Representatives Rachelson of Burlington, Bluemle of Burlington, Cina of Burlington, Duke of Burlington, Headrick of Burlington, Hooper of Burlington, Kleppner of Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, Logan of Burlington, Ode of Burlington, and Stone of Burlington

Offered by Senators Gulick, Baruth, Chittenden, Lyons, Ram Hinsdale, Vyhovsky, Beck, Brennan, Clarkson, Collamore, Cummings, Douglass, Hardy, Harrison, Hart, Major, Mattos, Perchlik, Watson, Weeks, Westman, White, and Williams

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Burlington High School Seahorses Division I championship boys' basketball team

Whereas, the most enduring boys' basketball rivalry in Vermont, matching the top-seeded Burlington Seahorses against the second-ranked Rice Memorial High School Green Knights, was renewed in 2025 in all its glory at the University of Vermont's Patrick Gymnasium, and

Whereas, the emotional level this year was raised considerably with 2024's leading Rice scorer now assuming the same role for Burlington and achieving 29 points, the most any individual player has scored in the Division I season's finale since 1994, and

Whereas, Burlington, which retained the lead for nearly the entire game, built a 27–22 halftime lead into a 64–60 game triumph, and

Whereas, the exuberant Seahorses were Graham McNeil, Pascal Munezero, Ben Koh, Mohamed Abdirahman, Khamis Ali, Abdi Sharif, Byron Robertson Jr., Leander Buckley, Michee Kasongo, Chris Thompson, Hayden McConville, Tyrell Robertson, Colton Bramhall, Sawyer Judkins, Jimmy Homsted, and Miles Kenny, and

Whereas, Head Coach B.J. Robertson; assistant coaches Kevin Garrison, John O'Brien, and Deng Adiang; and managers Caleb Ploof, Mustafa Khudaier, and Tobey Bernabe were each fantastic throughout the 2024–2025 season, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Burlington High School Seahorses Division I championship boys' basketball team, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 92

Offered by Representatives Quimby of Lyndon, Burtt of Cabot, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Dolgin of St. Johnsbury, Feltus of Lyndon, Harple of Glover, Higley of Lowell, Kascenska of Burke, Labor of Morgan, Marcotte of Coventry, Nelson of Derby, Page of Newport City, Parsons of Newbury, Powers of Waterford, Southworth of Walden, and Wells of Brownington

Offered by Senators Beck, Douglass, and Ingalls

House concurrent resolution honoring the outstanding achievements of the Federal TRIO Programs in Vermont

Whereas, at seven Vermont colleges, and through the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation, students who aspire to be their families' first college graduate but lack the requisite funds can avail themselves of these federal educational support programs, and

Whereas, in 1964, in the Equal Opportunity Act, Congress established Upward Bound, the original federal college incentive program for financially disadvantaged students; in the Higher Education Act of 1965, Congress created Talent Search to assist these students applying for newly established federal financial aid support; and in 1968, the 1965 law was amended to include the Special Services for Disadvantaged Students program (now known as Student

Support Services), and together these three services became commonly referred to as the Federal TRIO Programs, and

Whereas, subsequent amendments to the 1965 legislation created the Educational Opportunities Centers and Veterans Upward Bound (1972); the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program (1986); and in 1990, the Upward Bound program created a new division, Upward Bound Math-Science, and

Whereas, in 1992, Congress officially renamed and combined these programs as the Federal TRIO Programs, and they continue to be a special gateway for financially disadvantaged students to pursue their college dream, and

Whereas, students and administrators representing the Federal TRIO Programs in Vermont are visiting the State House today, Friday, April 25, 2025, and their visit serves as an opportunity to recognize the educational and societal roles of the Federal TRIO Programs, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the outstanding achievements of the Federal TRIO Programs in Vermont, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Board of Directors of the Vermont Educational Opportunity Programs.

H.C.R. 93

Offered by Representatives Branagan of Georgia, Hooper of Burlington, and Ode of Burlington

House concurrent resolution congratulating Kathleen Lynch of Burlington on being named as the 2025 Vermont Mother of the Year

Whereas, Kathleen Lynch was born to Fred and Kathleen Connor in Worcester, Massachusetts, and faith and family were central in the Connor family, and

Whereas, after graduating from the Saint Vincent Hospital School of Nursing, she devoted an astounding 47 years to surgical nursing, primarily at the hospital now known as the University of Vermont Medical Center (UVMC), and

Whereas, she married now-retired UVMC anesthesiologist Dr. Terrance Lynch, and they are the proud parents of seven children and have two grandchildren, and

Whereas, in 2010, her family assisted in the early Champlain Valley Down Syndrome Group's activities, and the Lynch family continues to support the Buddy Walk in Burlington, and

Whereas, since 1935, American Mothers, Inc. has annually, with the participation of local members, designated a Mother of the Year for every state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, and from the 2025 selections, a National Mother of the Year will be chosen at a convention to be held this year in Puerto Rico, and

Whereas, a Mother of the Year has demonstrated a strong commitment to the role of motherhood and serving her community, and

Whereas, Kathleen Lynch has been deservedly honored as the 2025 Vermont Mother of the Year, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Kathleen Lynch of Burlington on being named as the 2025 Vermont Mother of the Year, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Kathleen Lynch.

H.C.R. 94

Offered by Representatives Lipsky of Stowe, Boyden of Cambridge, Gregoire of Fairfield, Bailey of Hyde Park, Bishop of Colchester, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Galfetti of Barre Town, Greer of Bennington, Hango of Berkshire, Harple of Glover, Kascenska of Burke, Kleppner of Burlington, LaMont of Morristown, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Nelson of Derby, North of Ferrisburgh, O'Brien of Tunbridge, Priestley of Bradford, Southworth of Walden, Surprenant of Barnard, Tagliavia of Corinth, Waters Evans of Charlotte, White of Waitsfield, White of Bethel, and Winter of Ludlow

House concurrent resolution congratulating Tyler Riggs of Fletcher on the Vermont Forest Products Association naming him Vermont's Outstanding Sawmill Operator 2024

Whereas, an outstanding example of an enterprising and innovative Vermont sawmill owner is Tyler (Tucker) Riggs, the proprietor of LSF Forest Products, LLC (LSF) in Jeffersonville, a company that his father established in 2003, and

Whereas, soon after the company's establishment, Tucker Riggs returned home to Vermont to develop this new business with his father, and LSF has evolved into a respected community-focused sawmill, and

Whereas, Tucker Riggs has garnered many compliments from employees, colleagues, and loyal customers and is genuinely well liked, and

Whereas, he has been described as thoughtful, always seeking to improve the mill's workflow, and extremely attentive to safety, and

Whereas, community relations are a high priority for Tucker Riggs, and LSF has hosted State officials, industry peer groups, school groups of all ages, and environmental organizations, and

Whereas, seeking to enhance LSF's operations and improve his business acumen, Tucker Riggs enrolled in the University of Vermont Extension's Forest Business program, and as a result of the company's success, LSF is doubling its annual production capacity to approximately one million board feet per year, and the company has received a Vermont Working Lands Enterprise Initiative Supply Chain Impact Grant to finance the project, and

Whereas, in recognition of his laudable industry leadership, the Vermont Forest Products Association chose Tucker Riggs as Vermont's Outstanding Sawmill Operator 2024, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Tyler Riggs of Fletcher on the Vermont Forest Products Association naming him Vermont's Outstanding Sawmill Operator 2024, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Tucker Riggs.