

NO. R-25. HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE  
LELAND & GRAY UNION HIGH SCHOOL REBELS 2008 DIVISION III  
CHAMPIONSHIP BASEBALL TEAM.

(H.C.R.15)

Offered by: Representatives Hube of Londonderry, Marek of Newfane,  
Moran of Wardsboro, Obuchowski of Rockingham and Partridge of Windham

Offered by: Senators Shumlin and White

Whereas, prior to the first pitch of the 2008 baseball season, Leland & Gray  
Union High School had never captured a divisional title in the sport often  
considered America's historic pastime, and

Whereas, in 1979, the Rebels made a valiant effort but nevertheless lost to  
Stowe 1–0 in the championship contest, and

Whereas, nearly three decades later, in June 2008, Leland & Gray captured  
the baseball victory that had eluded the team three decades earlier, and

Whereas, the athletically talented 2008 baseball Rebels displayed their  
mastery of the game's finer points during an unusually bifurcated Division III  
championship contest against Poultney High School, and

Whereas, initially, both teams appeared evenly matched as they emerged  
from three innings of play tied at 3–all, and

Whereas, starting in the fourth inning, the Rebels' offense took command,  
scoring three runs, and in the fifth, they topped that performance, adding  
another five, and

Whereas, great Leland & Gray pitching, featuring eight strikeouts, two  
walks, and only three Poultney hits in combination with timely defensive  
plays, prevented Poultney players from scoring any additional runs, and

Whereas, during the Rebel's fifth inning scoring explosion, a giant thunderstorm erupted over Centennial Field in Burlington, forcing the players to reconvene several days later in Clarendon at Mill River Union High School where the Rebels cemented their 11–3 win and clinched the 2008 Division III championship, and

Whereas, this great Leland & Gray team, consisting of players Tyler Russell, Colin Nystrom, Corey McAllister, Chris Marcucci, Zac Peterson, Tyler Chapin, Cody Larson, Trevor Howe, Corey Bills, Alex Symanski, Ryan Lawley, Jared Van Osdal, Gabe Pozzi, and Scotti Clark, its coach, Keith Lyman, its assistant coaches Tom Russell and Greg Marcucci, and its scorekeeper Ashley Chapin, were privileged to be part of their school's historic 2008 baseball season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Leland & Gray Union High School Rebels 2008 Division III championship baseball team, and be it further

Resolved: That the secretary of state be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Keith Lyman at Leland & Gray Union High School.