

No. R-387. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2010 Lamoille Union High School Lady Lancers Division II championship girls' basketball team.

(H.C.R.274)

Offered by: Representatives Nease of Johnson, Howard of Cambridge and Martin of Wolcott

Offered by: Senator Bartlett

Whereas, in 2008, the Lamoille Union High School Lady Lancers progressed to the Division II girls' basketball championship but, despite a great effort at that championship game, the Lady Lancers came up short when they faced the Milton High School Yellowjackets, and

Whereas, these two teams again dominated Division II girls' basketball 2010 competition, and the Lancers' only regular season loss was to Milton, and

Whereas, Lamoille was ranked the No. 2 seed for 2010 postseason play while Milton was assigned the top rank, and

Whereas, their inevitable 2010 showdown championship game at the Barre Auditorium seemed, for much of the contest, headed for a similar conclusion, and

Whereas, when the teams stopped for the midgame break, Milton held a narrow 26–25 lead, and the score was 36–34 as the third quarter ended, and

Whereas, with so much sweat and effort, the Lady Lancers had harbored hopes of earning the 2010 Division II championship, and with only eight minutes of regulation play remaining, an immediate and game-reversing turnaround was imperative, and

Whereas, during an amazing fourth quarter, all of Lamoille's best basketball ingenuity and skill emerged as the Lady Lancers opened the quarter with a stunning 25–5 run, becoming a rejuvenated team, and

Whereas, Lamoille scored 28 points in the final quarter, just six shy of the team's total for the prior three quarters, and

Whereas, this nearly unbelievable fourth-quarter display of offensive muscle enabled the Lady Lancers to win a solid 62–49 victory over the Yellowjackets and clinch the 2010 Division II girls' basketball championship, and

Whereas, Lady Lancers Shaunna Haley, Erin Stokes, Nikki LaFreniere, Ashley Jones, Emily Slayton, Jillian Emery, Ashley Vanat, Katie LaFreniere, Carly Ackley, Chelsea Dunham, Alyssa Machia, Alex Cattelona, and Annie Wells celebrated this joyous finale to their 2009–2010 season, and

Whereas, head coach Tim Messier and assistant coaches Greg Stokes and Mark Cattelona worked diligently all season with victory in mind, as did team program assistant Stacy Stokes, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2010 Lamoille Union High School Lady Lancers Division II championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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