

No. R-106. House concurrent resolution congratulating Northeast Slopes of East Corinth on its silver anniversary.

(H.C.R.79)

Offered by: Representatives Davis of Washington, Winters of Williamstown and Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford

Whereas, in 1936, an adventurous group of individuals erected an Alpine skiing rope tow along an East Corinth hillside, and

Whereas, the power source for this exciting new recreational conveyance was probably derived from a vintage Reo car, and in future years, a GMC farm truck facilitated the skiers' travel upward to the starting point, and

Whereas, in contrast to other small Vermont ski areas that have vanished, Northeast Slopes has continued to thrive in the era of large ski resorts because it represents a community enterprise whose volunteers are committed to its continuity and vitality, and

Whereas, as one begins descending down any of the 12 trails on more than 35 skiable acres, a grand view is afforded of New Hampshire's Mt. Moosilauke, giving the skier the impression of speeding down a lofty peak, and

Whereas, from the original motor-vehicle-powered single rope tow, Northeast Slopes has advanced to a triple surface lift array, including a recently installed T-bar, and

Whereas, the trails vary in grade from gentle to steep, and the area also offers a fun terrain park, and

Whereas, the annual Cardboard Box Derby encourages creativity as the contestants are challenged to design a cardboard box capable of sliding down a slope, and

Whereas, off the trails, Northeast Slopes takes great pride in its increasing reliance on local food products in the snack bar, such as Cabot Cheese and rolls from the Colatina Bakery in Bradford, and

Whereas, multiple generations of local families have learned to ski at the child-friendly Northeast Slopes, which remains affordable because of its great and loyal volunteer workforce, and

Whereas, Northeast Slopes is now the oldest continuously operated rope tow ski area in the United States, and in 2011 is commemorating 75 years of fun-filled skiing, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Northeast Slopes of East Corinth on its silver anniversary and wishes it many future years of enthusiastic skiers and volunteers arriving at its East Corinth hillside headquarters, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Steve Simpson and Genevieve Faherty, president and vice president respectively of Northeast Slopes Inc. in East Corinth.