

No. R-112. House concurrent resolution congratulating Pamela Arnold on being named the 2010 Vermont Principals' Association's Middle School Principal of the Year.

(H.C.R.49)

Offered by: Representatives Hooper of Montpelier and Kitzmiller of Montpelier

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle and Pollina

Whereas, annually, the Vermont Principals' Association (VPA) designates the Vermont Middle School Principal of the Year in recognition of commendatory leadership in the challenging role of directing a middle school, and

Whereas, this VPA award is presented through the sponsorship of the National Association of Secondary School Principals and MetLife Inc., and

Whereas, a similar award is presented in every state, with the state winners traveling to Washington, D.C. to compete for recognition as the National Middle School Principal of the Year, and

Whereas, the criteria for selecting the annual Vermont honoree include personal excellence, fostering collaborative leadership, and the results a principal attains at the school in the areas of curriculum, instruction, and student assessment, and

Whereas, after careful review of the candidates nominated in 2010, the VPA selected Pamela (Pam) Arnold, the outstanding principal of Main Street Middle School in Montpelier, and

Whereas, her career in public education started in the town of Northfield, where she taught classes in health and physical education, and it continued with her service as coordinator of the new teacher mentoring program for the Washington South Supervisory Union, which includes Northfield and Roxbury, and

Whereas, Pam Arnold's excellent work in both of these jobs resulted in her selection as the principal of the Roxbury Village School, where she expertly guided the school's operations for two years before beginning her current duties four years ago at Main Street Middle School in Montpelier, and

Whereas, at Main Street Middle School, Pam Arnold has demonstrated strong leadership skills and remarkable perseverance as she guided the school community, including students, teachers, and often upset parents, through a major revision of the school's student assessment and grading system, and

Whereas, Pam Arnold has successfully set the stage for a conducive learning environment and is an ideal recipient for this special professional recognition, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Pamela Arnold on being named the 2010 Vermont Principals' Association's Middle School Principal of the Year, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Pam Arnold at Main Street Middle School in Montpelier.