

**No. R-135. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Lamoille Union High School Lancers Division II girls' basketball championship team.**

(H.C.R.118)

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

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, in 2011, the 2010 Division II champion Lamoille Union High School Lancers girls' basketball team remained a talented squad, and

Whereas, when the regular season's final basket was scored, Lamoille had won all but one game and secured the first seed for tournament competition, and

Whereas, the Lancers again earned a berth in the championship game played at the Barre Auditorium against the third-seeded Eagles of Mount Abraham Union High School, but their defending champion status did not assure a 2011 victory, and

Whereas, in fact, with 1:55 remaining in the first quarter, the Eagles led 12–8, but the Lancers responded decisively with an 18–0 run during which five team members scored, and

Whereas, good fortune, or more accurately, skillful and thoughtful ball handling, enabled the Lancers to gain a 34–15 lead at halftime and to send them ahead 45–25 late in the third quarter, and

Whereas, now the Eagles realized their serious predicament and began their own exclusive 12–0 scoring spree, preventing a single Lancer point for eight minutes, and

Whereas, despite the Eagles' reducing the Lamoille lead to 45–37, when the final buzzer sounded, the Lancers were victorious 50–42 and returned home with their second consecutive Division II championship, and

Whereas, the roster of dedicated Lamoille girl basketball players included Shaunna Haley, Erin Stokes, Nikki Lafreniere, Ashley Jones, Emily Slayton, Jillian Emery, Ashley Vanat, Katie Lafreniere, Carly Ackley, Chelsea Dunham, and Maia Buckingham, and Head Coach Tim Messier, assistant coaches Greg Stokes and Mark Cattelona, program assistants Stacy Stokes and Amanda Lass, and team manager Kelly Shaw each contributed to the Lancer's first-ever consecutive girls' basketball titles, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Lamoille Union High School 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 Lamoille Union High School.