

No. R-468. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Woodstock Union High School Wasps on winning their third consecutive Division II boys' Nordic skiing championship.

(H.C.R.361)

Offered by: Representatives Clarkson of Woodstock, Bartholomew of Hartland and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators Campbell, McCormack and Nitka

Whereas, as the 2010 and 2011 boys' Nordic Division II skiing champions, the Woodstock Union High School Wasps were triple crown contenders, and

Whereas, at the opening individual freestyle race at the two-day state championship Nordic ski meet held in Jericho, the top three finishers in Division II all wore the Woodstock uniform, and

Whereas, when the clock ticked into the afternoon, the Wasps extended their morning lead, winning the relay race in the fastest time in either Division I or II, departing Jericho with a 24–57 lead over the second-place team, and

Whereas, when the competing teams reconvened at Grafton for the second day's focus on classic style skiing, the Wasps were again the winners, and

Whereas, in the individual race, Woodstock won in both divisions as Wasps skied across the finish line in first, second, third, and 15th places, and

Whereas, to conclude this two-day skiing extravaganza, the Wasps bested their 2011 second-place classic relay finish as they won the event with over a minute to spare, and

Whereas, Woodstock was the overwhelming overall winner, actually in either division, with 74 points compared to runner-up U-32 at 184, and

Whereas, the team's 2012 record shines even brighter as three freshmen qualified to represent Vermont at the New England J2 championships held in Rumford, Maine; three Wasps led Vermont to its second straight victory at the Eastern High School championships skied in Chittenden, and this same contingent of three, the only team members from a public high school, earned places on the New England Junior Nationals team, and Woodstock's superb coach, Nick Mahood, guided the New England team to its fourth consecutive Alaska Cup (as the top regional team in the country) at Junior Nationals competition in Utah; and based on the combined scores of the three Wasp participants, Woodstock was ranked as the seventh best high school Nordic team in the United States, and

Whereas, Woodstock Nordic boy skiers Jordan Fields, Josh Bassette, Jeff Tucker, Harry Linowski, Griffin Boswell, Zane Fields, Campbell Boswell, Graham Melville, Sam Linowski, Kent Dalton, and Luke Jacobs all skied to win, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Woodstock Union High School Wasps on winning their third consecutive Division II boys' Nordic skiing championship, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Woodstock Union High School.