

No. R-114. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Rochester High School Rockets Division IV boys' basketball championship team.

(H.C.R.76)

Offered by: Representative Haas of Rochester

Whereas, small Rochester High School's 2012–2013 boys' basketball team could easily challenge teams from far larger schools, and

Whereas, the Rockets, as one team member stated, have great team chemistry because its players have played together for many years, and

Whereas, the Rockets sustained only one defeat during the regular season and defended, dribbled, and shot their way into the 2013 Division IV boys' basketball championship game against the West Rutland High School Golden Horde at the Barre Auditorium, and

Whereas, although West Rutland took a brief second-quarter 12–9 lead, the Rockets rebounded quickly, pulling ahead 29–18 at halftime and easily defeating the Horde 68–43, and

Whereas, this state championship represented the Rockets' first divisional title since 1993, and a team member set the individual Division IV scoring record for the final four in boys' basketball, and

Whereas, the proud team members were Jay Benson, Pavin Parrish, Mike Smith, Clay Walker, Caedin Ostro-Remy, John Gorton, Harrison Heist, Ben Wardwell, Nate Andrews, Derick Gendron, Andrew Rogers, Trevor Mears, and Tanner Pratt, and

Whereas, Head Coach Earl Kingsbury and Assistant Coaches Greg White and Peter Parrish were patient and wise team mentors, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013 Rochester High School Rockets Division IV boys' basketball championship team, and be it further

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