

No. R-124. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Winooski High School Spartans Division III championship girls' basketball team.

(H.C.R.85)

Offered by: Representatives Bissonnette of Winooski and Cross of Winooski

Whereas, through the decades, the Winooski High School Spartans girls' basketball team had never won a state title, and

Whereas, after defeating top-seeded Hazen Union High School convincingly 65–44, the fifth-seeded Spartans moved on to the championship game at the Barre Auditorium, where they confronted the second-seeded Williamstown Blue Devils, and

Whereas, this extremely close contest was not clinched until the final 34 seconds when Winooski scored on a drive from midcourt that, supplemented with two final shots from the free throw line, gave the Spartans a dramatic 52–48 victory and the team's first-ever Division III title, and

Whereas, the exuberant Spartans were met at the Winooski city line by a crowd of about 200 persons who escorted the team to the school, where another 100 thrilled fans were on hand to cheer the team's victory, and

Whereas, the victorious Spartans, who recorded a new chapter in Winooski High School's athletic history, were Brianna Robare, Fallon Perrault, Avah Eaton, Ashley Antoniak, Moriah Leary, Amanda Nattress, Niki Dang, Christina Dang, Sadie Speirs, and Sarah Lind, and

Whereas, Head Coach Tom Prim, Assistant Coaches Jeff Robinson, Dennis Filion, and Tiffany LaFond, and Managers Lydia Nattress, Chris Prim, and Hannah Little were all part of this great team effort, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013 Winooski High School Spartans Division III championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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