

**No. R-420. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Town of Weybridge on winning State and Addison County honors in the Vermont Home Energy Challenge.**

(H.C.R.310)

Offered by: Representative Smith of New Haven

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Bray

Whereas, the State of Vermont has established a goal of improving the energy efficiency of at least 25 percent of Vermont homes by the year 2020, and

Whereas, in January 2013, as an incentive to move towards this important goal, Efficiency Vermont, in coordination with the Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network, issued a Home Energy Challenge (HEC), and

Whereas, the HEC invited towns across Vermont to weatherize three percent of the homes in their communities within a one-year period, and

Whereas, aside from the inherent benefits of increasing the number of weatherized homes in a community, the town in each county with the highest number of homes either weatherized or with owners submitting pledge cards to complete this process would be awarded a \$10,000.00 Efficiency Vermont grant, and

Whereas, the grant may be used for actual construction costs of a municipal or school project designed to achieve thermal or electrical energy savings, and

Whereas, the types of municipal projects that the award may fund include buildings, streets, lighting, and water or wastewater facilities, and

Whereas, when all the results were tabulated, the Town of Weybridge, through the diligent work of the Weybridge Energy Committee and especially Fran Putnam, won Addison County's top ranking, and

Whereas, 18 homes in Weybridge were weatherized, and another 59 homeowners completed the Efficiency Vermont pledge cards, and

Whereas, this total gave the Town of Weybridge the further honor of finishing first in the State for the Vermont Home Energy Challenge, and

Whereas, Weybridge's success in persuading 59 homeowners to complete weatherization pledge cards garnered the town an additional \$500.00 award, and

Whereas, the winning towns were honored at a ceremony held in Montpelier on March 28, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Town of Weybridge on winning State and Addison County honors in the Vermont Home Energy Challenge, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Weybridge Energy Commission.