

**No. R-434. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Vermont associated 2014 U.S. Winter Olympic Team members.**

(H.C.R.324)

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, the Winter Olympics, in Sochi, Russia, featured premier athletes from around the world, and

Whereas, on the snowy slopes and trails or on icy surfaces, extraordinary Americans represented our nation with pride as members of the 2014 U.S. Winter Olympic Team, and

Whereas, Vermont is one of the nation's centers for winter athletic competition, and it is not surprising that 19 athletes with close ties to the Green Mountain State, based on residency or extensive training time in the State, were members of this impressive team, and they included Sophie Caldwell, Peru (Nordic skiing); Kelly Clark, Mount Snow Academy (snowboard halfpipe); Alex Deibold, Manchester (snowboard cross); Hannah Dreissigacker, Craftsbury (biathlon); Susan Dunklee, Craftsbury (biathlon); Julia Ford, Okemo Mountain School (alpine skiing); Nick Goepper, Mount Snow Academy (ski slopestyle); Jared Goldberg, Killington Resort (alpine skiing); Jackie Hernandez, Londonderry (snowboard cross); Lindsey Jacobellis, Stratton (snowboard cross); Nolan Kasper, Warren (slalom); Hannah Kearney, Norwich (freestyle moguls); Devin Logan, West Dover (ski slopestyle); Andy Newell, Weston (Nordic skiing); Ida Sargent, Orleans (Nordic skiing); Mikaela Shiffrin, Burke Mountain Academy (alpine skiing); Liz Stephen, East Montpelier (Nordic skiing); Hannah Teter, Mount Holly (snowboard halfpipe); and Ty Walker, Stowe (snowboard slopestyle), and

Whereas, among these outstanding athletes, six came home as medal winners, including Mikaela Shiffrin—gold (women's slalom); Devin Logan—silver (women's ski slopestyle); Kelly Clark—bronze (women's snowboard halfpipe); Hannah Kearney—bronze (women's freestyle moguls); Alex Diebold—bronze (men's snowboard cross); and Nick Goepper—bronze (men's ski slopestyle), and

Whereas, on April 23 at the State House, the General Assembly will honor the Vermont-associated 2014 U.S. Winter Olympic Team members, who will be presented with a personalized engraved glass medallion, created by Simon Pearce and donated by Cabot Creamery, commemorating their accomplishments, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Vermont-associated 2014 U.S. Winter Olympic Team members, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the Vermont Olympic athletes honored in this resolution.