

No. R-185. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Richford High School Rockets Division III girls' championship softball team.

(H.C.R.142)

Offered by: Representatives Pearce of Richford, Beyor of Highgate, Branagan of Georgia, Connor of Fairfield, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Fiske of Enosburgh, Gamache of Swanton, Keenan of St. Albans City, Murphy of Fairfax, Parent of St. Albans City, and Savage of Swanton

Offered by: Senators Degree, McAllister, Rodgers, and Starr

Whereas, the Richford Rockets softball team has long aspired to a championship crown, having last brought home a State title in 1981, and

Whereas, the 2014 Rockets were among the most talented softball players in recent Richford High School athletic history, and

Whereas, with only two defeats during regular season play, the team's playoff prospects were encouraging, and

Whereas, having advanced through each playoff round, Richford earned a berth in the Division III championship game in Poultney against Green Mountain Union High School, and

Whereas, despite an early 2–0 Rocket deficit, a Richford runner crossed home plate three times in both the fourth and fifth innings as the team from Franklin County clinched the 2014 Division III championship with a 6–3 victory, and

Whereas, the delighted Rockets, who finished the 2014 season with an overall 16–2 record, were Sadie Fuller, Christina Stryker, Morgan McAllister, Allie O'Brien, Marijella Collins, Melanie Godin, Alexandria Benoit, Amanda Cunningham, Sarah Doe, Hannah Gleason, Cassie Sheltra, Melissa Hango, and Erika Snider, and

Whereas, coach Jennifer Gross, assistant coach Irissa Choquette, and bookkeeper Julie Gleason each made an important contribution to the season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Richford Rockets Division III championship softball team, and be it further

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