

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

**Text of House Concurrent
Resolutions**

of

April 11, 2024

Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rules 16a -16d

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration in the member's chamber prior to adjournment of the next legislative day. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Senate Secretary's Office or the House Clerk's Office, as applicable.

H.C.R. 214

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2024 Hartford High School Hurricanes Division II championship boys' ice hockey team

Offered by: Representatives Christie of Hartford and Cole of Hartford

Offered by: Senators Clarkson, Collamore, McCormack, and White

Whereas, Todd Bebeau, the veteran coach of the Hartford High School Hurricanes boys' ice hockey team, has described his 13–7–3 2023–2024 squad as “imperfectly perfect,” meaning that, notwithstanding the level of the playing skills, the grit demonstrated on the ice determined the team's fate, and

Whereas, this special ingredient proved decisive as the third-seeded Hurricanes challenged the top-ranked Colchester High School Lakers for the Division II title at the University of Vermont's Gutterson Fieldhouse, and

Whereas, the teams departed the ice tied after the first period, but early in the second period, while enjoying a man advantage, the Hurricanes quickly scored, and Hartford's strategically effective defense, in combination with a final goal at only 11.8 seconds before the third period's conclusion, clinched a 3–1 victory and the school's first championship since 2009, and

Whereas, Hurricanes Frankie Cushing, Jaden Poirier, Cavan Benjamin, Tyler Spaulding, Nick Daniels, Nolan Morlock, Jacob Dube, Ezra Mock, Lochlan Park, Richard Rosenbeck, Logan Caffrey, Tighe Hrabchak, Matt Hayes, Colin Morlock, Nate Clark, Nick Facto, Carter Williams, and Nunu Mayer were elated, and

Whereas, Head Coach Todd Bebeau; assistant coaches Erin Stevens, Nathan Robinson, and Greg Balsam; and film assistant Frankie Thatcher offered great leadership and support, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2024 Hartford High School Hurricanes Division II championship boys' ice hockey team, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 215

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2024 Hartford High School Hurricanes Division II championship girls' ice hockey team

Offered by: Representatives Christie of Hartford and Cole of Hartford

Offered by: Senators Clarkson, Collamore, McCormack, and White

Whereas, in the three-decade history of Hartford High School girls' ice hockey, the team had previously reached the season's decisive game but had not brought home the division crown, and

Whereas, the 2023–2024 season marked a historic turning point for the Hurricanes as their long quest for girls' ice hockey glory finally achieved success—and with a roster bereft of experienced seniors, and

Whereas, the second-seeded Hurricanes (16–6–1) faced off against the fourth-ranked Missisquoi Valley Union High School Thunderbirds at the University of Vermont's Gutterson Fieldhouse, and, despite scoring the contest's opening goal, the Hurricanes twice trailed the Thunderbirds (at first, 2–1, and later, 3–2) before surging ahead in the final period to triumph with a 5–3 victory—the highest score ever recorded in a girls' ice hockey State championship contest, and

Whereas, Hurricanes Vivian Tsouknakis, Paisley Danaher, Madison Barwood, Emma Bazin, Morgan Curtis, Olyve Frankenfield, Aubree Vail, Braelyn Park, Zoe Zanleoni, Carsyn Weglarz, Grace Hayes, Nella Bowen, and Flynn Moreno were delighted, and

Whereas, Head Coach Kylie Young; assistant coaches Trevyr Young, Karli Swensen, and Justin Barwood; goalie coaches Erin Stevens and Jason Gramling; and Team Manager Lucy Bloom were proud of these persevering young athletes, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2024 Hartford High School Hurricanes Division II championship girls' ice hockey team, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 216

House concurrent resolution congratulating the winning school teams of the 2024 Jr Iron Chef VT competition

Offered by: Representatives Sibia of Dover, Arrison of Weathersfield, Arsenault of Williston, Austin of Colchester, Berbeco of Winooski, Black of Essex, Bluemle of Burlington, Boyden of Cambridge, Branagan of Georgia, Burrows of West Windsor, Carpenter of Hyde Park, Chase of Chester, Cole of Hartford, Farlice-Rubio of Barnet, Garofano of Essex, Goslant of Northfield, Graning of Jericho, Hango of Berkshire, Headrick of Burlington, Holcombe of Norwich, Howard of Rutland City, Krasnow of South Burlington, Logan of Burlington, Masland of Thetford, McCann of Montpelier, McGill of Bridport, Minier of South Burlington, Morris of Springfield, Morrissey of Bennington, Ode of Burlington, Pajala of Londonderry, Rice of Dorset, Roberts of Halifax, Small of Winooski, and Stone of Burlington

Whereas, the Vermont Afterschool organization administers Vermont Jr Iron Chef VT, a statewide culinary competition comprising middle and high school teams that are challenged to create “nutritious, local dishes to inspire school meal programs,” and

Whereas, the teams are judged on execution, teamwork, taste, creativity, local sourcing of ingredients, and compliance with the competition’s guidelines, and

Whereas, the teams compete for three awards: Crowd Pleaser, honoring the team that best incorporates color, texture, and taste; Lively Local, honoring the team that best highlights Vermont foods; and Mise en Place, honoring the team that shows exemplary teamwork, order, and professionalism, and

Whereas, the 16th Jr Iron Chef VT competition was held on March 9, 2024 at the Champlain Valley Exposition in Essex Junction, and the competition categories, the winning middle and high schools, their team names, and their culinary creations were the following:

Crowd Pleaser: Essex Middle School, Crispy Bakin’, Bao with Crispy “That’s Not Chicken?!”; Winooski Middle School, Wild Onions, Street Corn Risotto Cakes; Champlain Valley Union High School, CVU Chefhawks #2, Pumpkin Ravioli with Pumpkin Brown Butter; and Twin Valley High School, La Cocina Blokes, Vermont Maple Empanada;

Lively Local: Cambridge Elementary School, Wicked Wildcats, Falafel Waffle; Twin Valley Middle School, Perfect Pickles, Garbage Platter; Hartford Area Career and Technology Center, Juniors at HACTC, Grilled Stuffed Portobello Mushroom over Polenta; and Lake Champlain Waldorf School, Gnocchi Gnomes, Butternut Gnocchi with Spinach Cheese Sauce; and

Mise en Place: Edmunds Middle School, EM Yes Chef, Kimbap; Williston Central School, Lettuce Cook, Jackfruit Street Tacos; Lake Region Union High School, Ranger Raccoons, Lean, Mean, Pesto Naan with Greens; and Lake Champlain Waldorf School, Tofoo Fighters, Vermont Kimbop, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the winning school teams of the 2024 Jr Iron Chef VT competition, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the winning teams and to Vermont Afterschool.

H.C.R. 217

House concurrent resolution recognizing April 18, 2024 as Electric Utility Lineworker Appreciation Day in Vermont

Offered by: Representative Noyes of Wolcott

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, in the 21st century, electric power, which is overwhelmingly transmitted through openly exposed local and long-distance electric power transmission lines, is essential for all aspects of daily living, and

Whereas, when lightning, snow, wind, and other variants of disruptive weather strike, the electric power lines are often damaged, posing an immediate danger to persons who encounter the wires and disrupting the flow of electric power to neighborhoods, entire municipalities, and even large sections of the State, including vital health and public safety facilities, and

Whereas, these electric power disruptions trigger the response of the dedicated men and women who are employees of Vermont's cooperative, investor-owned, and municipal utilities, the organizations that, for decades, have striven to provide all Vermonters with reliable, safe, and, in more recent years, increasingly environmentally friendly electric power, and

Whereas, these electric utility employees must work extended hours, under extremely dangerous conditions that require the utmost degree of care and professionalism, in a time-pressured effort to restore electric power expeditiously and eliminate dangerous hazards on the landscape and byways of the State, and

Whereas, these individuals are truly unsung heroes, whose impact on our daily lives is often forgotten and underappreciated, and

Whereas, across the country, April 18 is annually observed as National Lineman Appreciation Day, and a Vermont commemoration is in order, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes April 18, 2024 as Electric Utility Lineworker Appreciation Day in Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the cooperative, investor-owned, and municipal electric utilities in Vermont.

H.C.R. 218

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Washington Electric Cooperative on its 85th anniversary

Offered by: Representative Patt of Worcester

Offered by: Senator Perchlik

Whereas, the Washington Electric Cooperative (WEC) is a nonprofit member-owned electric power company, and

Whereas, a nine-person board of directors, drawn from the membership, oversees the management of the WEC, and

Whereas, WEC began serving consumers on December 2, 1939 with its first transmission of diesel-generated power to 150 farms and homes over a 55-mile network, and

Whereas, from this modest beginning, WEC has developed into a regional electricity provider with over 11,800 members, 97 percent of whom are residential customers, and

Whereas, the WEC service area now encompasses 2,728 square miles in parts of 41 towns in Washington, Orange, Caledonia, and Orleans counties, and

Whereas, the distribution network transmitting WEC's electric power extends for 1,347 miles and uses eight substations, and

Whereas, WEC derives two-thirds of its electricity from methane-generated power produced at the Coventry landfill, and

Whereas, WEC owns the hydroelectric-generating station at Wrightsville Dam located on the North Branch of the Winooski River, and the station normally produces 800 kW of electricity and has a drainage area of 69 square miles, and

Whereas, 2024 marks 85 years of WEC's serving north central Vermont with dependable electric service that is now 100 percent renewable, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Washington Electric Cooperative on its 85th anniversary, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Washington Electric Cooperative.