CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

Text of House Concurrent Resolutions

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Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Representative or Senator requests floor consideration before the end of today's legislative session. Requests for floor consideration must be communicated to the House Clerk's office or Senate Secretary's office respectively.

Resolutions

H.C.R. 204.

House concurrent resolution recognizing January 4, 2012 as Homelessness Day at the State House

Offered by: Representative Head of South Burlington

Whereas, being deprived of a permanent place to live is an indignity that far too many Vermont individuals and families continue to endure, and

Whereas, the homelessness data that the Vermont Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) compiles through its annual homeless shelter census point of time on November 30 reflects a sad societal commentary, and

Whereas, the November 30 shelter population, which includes both the jobless and the working poor, rose from 302 in 2007 to 438 in 2011, while the percentage of the shelter residents who were under age 18 increased from 25.8 percent to 29.5 percent, but the total number of homeless is considerably higher, and

Whereas, the Vermont Interagency Council on Homelessness, established pursuant to Executive Order No. 33-15, was formed to address comprehensively in Vermont this serious public policy dilemma, and

Whereas, the homeless are increasingly families with children, and a recent COTS survey of Chittenden County schools documented 141 homeless children, and

Whereas, the homeless frequently are individuals or families who have suffered a personal trauma such as job loss or domestic abuse; however, many homeless families have one adult working member but due to financial circumstances are unable to afford permanent housing and are forced to live in temporary arrangements with family members or friends (couch-surfing) or in a shelter facility, and

Whereas, according to the 2011 update of the Vermont Housing and Finance Agency report Between A Rock and A Hard Place: Housing and Wages in Vermont, "the average length of stay in the state's shelters was 34

days in 2010, up 162% from 2000," and the insufficiency of affordable housing is the reason for this dramatic increase, and

Whereas, to emphasize the urgency of the problems facing Vermont's homeless, a homelessness day at the State House is being held in the opening week of the 2012 legislative session, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly welcomes those individuals visiting the legislature for Homelessness Day at the State House, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness.

H.C.R. 205.

House concurrent resolution in memory of the former Dean of the House Representative John Francis Murphy of Ludlow

Offered by: All Members of the House Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, from 1969 to 1998, Representative John Murphy cast a distinctive and influential presence in the Vermont House of Representatives as the member from Ludlow, as an advocate for the labor movement and working Vermonters, and ultimately as the proud Dean of the House, and

Whereas, having been employed for 28 years at the Rutland General Electric plant, he was well acquainted with the daily toil of Vermont manufacturing workers, and he placed their concerns at the pinnacle of his legislative agenda, and

Whereas, this conscientious, politically astute, and widely admired solon had numerous friends, not mere colleagues, on all sides of the political spectrum, and away from the formal floor and committee deliberations, he was affectionately known as "Murph," and

Whereas, in his long-standing role as Chair of the House Committee on General and Military Affairs, later the Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs, Representative John Murphy was not only a friend of labor, but, equally crucial for measures he sought to be enacted, a legislative strategist and tactician par excellence, and

Whereas, his fellow legislators valued the member from Ludlow's wise judgment and elected him to the University of Vermont Board of Trustees, and

Whereas, each spring, the Murphy "road-kill" barbecue (actually a euphemism for a far broader menu) was an eagerly anticipated feast where camaraderie and good cheer abounded, and

Whereas, the town of Ludlow was where John Murphy was born in 1923; baptized and years later married to his true love, Florabel, at the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin; graduated from Black River Academy; raised his family; served as President of the Ludlow Planning Board; established the local chapter of the Knights of Columbus; and presided as the barbecue master at countless charitable fundraisers, often attired in his familiar white paper bag chef's hat; it was the community he joyfully called home for 88 years, and

Whereas, Representative John Murphy was instrumental, with the support of the Otttauquechee Land Trust, in the transformation of the Boy Scout camp on Echo Lake into Camp Plymouth State Park that thousands of Vermonters and visitors to the state now enjoy each summer, and

Whereas, after he officially "retired" from the House in 1998, John Murphy was appointed to the Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board and remained in contact with members concerning issues of the day, and

Whereas, the death of Representative John Murphy marks the passing of a public official whose legacy is the protection of the rights of working Vermonters and his beloved wife, Florabel, son, John Jr., and daughter-in-law, Wanda, two grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, two brothers, and three sisters will miss their special family member, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly fondly remembers one of its own, the former Dean of the House, Representative John Murphy of Ludlow, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of his family.

H.C.R. 206.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Peoples Academy Wolves Division III championship girls' soccer team

Offered by: Representatives Smith of Morristown and Peltz of Woodbury

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, the Division III girls' soccer championship matched two of the most skilled high school squads in Vermont, the first-seeded Peoples Academy Wolves against the second-seeded Oxbow Union High School Olympians, and

Whereas, the Olympians opened the scoring with 21:50 left in the first half as the Wolves' goalie attempted to block the ball which the Olympian sent over the Peoples' defender, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Wolves, although scoreless at halftime, were not discouraged as they had previously overcome a 4–0 halftime deficit in an earlier contest against Harwood, and

Whereas, at just over one minute into the second half, Peoples Academy began its rebound as a Wolves' duo brightened their fans' faces with the team's first goal, and

Whereas, with 7:14 of the second period expired, one of the Peoples players flawlessly passed the ball to her teammate who then kicked a clean shot into the scoring zone from 12 yards out, and

Whereas, with slightly under three minutes left to play, two Wolves coordinated their skills for the game's final goal, and when the whistle proclaimed the end of regulation playing time, the Peoples Academy Wolves marched off the field as 3–1 game winners and the 2011 Division III girls' soccer champions, and

Whereas, this dedicated and focused assemblage of young soccer devotees, including Sierra Nutting, Kaitlyn Jones, Allison Scarf, Nicole Leikert, Micaela Gailmor, Caitlyn Bradley, Sarah Weiss, Stacy Tomlinson, Marissa Benson, Katie Stames, Michelle Yando, Hannah Merriam, Molly Duda, Ana Swift, Carie Wan, Katie Fish, Kelli Grimes, Jammie Lafountain, Haleigh West, Haley VanCor, Megan LaMare, Brooke Wells, Kaleigh Newton, and Jessica Cantwell, was delighted, and Head Coach Jim Eisenhardt, assistant coaches Carolyn Stames and Phil Keily, and student managers Mary Fafard and Izzy Weiss each contributed to the team's grand championship season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Peoples Academy Wolves Division III championship girls' soccer team, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Peoples Academy in Morrisville.

H.C.R. 207.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Peoples Academy Division III championship boys' soccer team

Offered by: Representatives Smith of Morristown and Peltz of Woodbury

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, the Peoples Academy Wolves entered the 2011 postseason Division III boys' soccer competition ranked as the eighth best team; however, this assessment was proven to be extremely inaccurate, and

Whereas, once engaged in the cycle of games climaxing with the much-anticipated championship showdown, the Wolves proved unstoppable, and

<u>Whereas</u>, as one of the two teams that survived the preliminary playoff rounds, Peoples Academy earned the right to face the seventh-ranked Northfield High School Marauders in the championship game at Randolph Union High School, and

Whereas, the first half ended in a scoreless tie with much credit due to the Peoples Academy's agile goaltending which in the final five minutes featured blocking a direct kick with a diving save; squashing a second scoring attempt associated with the rebounding ball; and deterring a final Northfield scoring effort moments before halftime, and

Whereas, after eight minutes of the second half had expired, one of the Wolves commandeered the suddenly loose ball near midfield along the right touchline, quickly freed himself from a nearby Marauder defender, and ran the ball to the top of the penalty area from where he kicked a left-footed shot, resulting in the game's first goal, and

Whereas, with only 37 seconds remaining, the Wolves again executed an unassisted scoring volley, raising their lead to 2–0, and

Whereas, with the final whistle soon blowing, the persevering boys' soccer team from Peoples Academy had clinched the 2011 Division III championship, and

Whereas, this great squad of young athletes consisted of Joe Hostetter, Jesse Wells, Sean Pease, Dan Grimes, Camden Waller, Ryan Davis, Avery Cochran, Owen Fellows, Thomas Bohannon, Eric Cross, Jeremy Allen, Quinn Shane, Sam Weed, Dan Stames, Sawyer Shane, Dylan Baker, Kurtis Bingham, Seppe Angione, Tyler Beattie, Brandon Lanphear, Alex Bousquet, and Alex Duca, and Head Coach Phil Rogers and his able assistant coaches Jim Britton and Brian Krux skillfully instructed the boys to maximize their talents, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Peoples Academy Division III championship boys' soccer team, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Peoples Academy in Morrisville.

H.C.R. 208.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Speaker of the House and Vermont statesman Richard Walker Mallary of Brookfield

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, Richard Mallary was born in Springfield, Massachusetts and moved to Fairlee where his parents operated a Holstein dairy farm for which he later served as a managing partner, and

Whereas, he graduated from Bradford Academy and Dartmouth College (summa cum laude), and at the age of 22 was elected to serve and chair the Fairlee Selectboard, and

Whereas, upon his 1960 election to the Vermont House of Representatives, Richard Mallary became known as one of the chamber's "Young Turks" who sought to enact more forward-looking public policies, and

Whereas, in 1963, Richard Mallary was appointed chair of the committee on appropriations and earned the respect of his fellow legislators, and

Whereas, in January 1966, following the emotionally difficult and tumultuous House reapportionment of 1965, and the special election that was held the following November, the newly elected representatives chose Representative Richard Mallary as their Speaker, and

Whereas, during his three-year tenure at the rostrum, Speaker Richard Mallary led the Vermont House of Representatives with boldness, foresight, and the utmost institutional respect, and

Whereas, in 1968, Richard Mallary was elected to represent Orange County in the Senate, and in 1971, Governor Deane Davis appointed him as Vermont's first Secretary of Administration, and

Whereas, he won a special congressional election in 1971 and served through 1974, displaying his political independence as a Republican, advocating that President Richard Nixon resign in light of the Watergate scandal, and

Whereas, Governor Richard Snelling followed his predecessor's wise judgment when, in 1977, he appointed Richard Mallary to his second term as the most senior member of the governor's cabinet, and

Whereas, in 1998, following a career in the utility industry, he was again sent to the Vermont House of Representatives where the independently minded

Republican Richard Mallary supported the establishment of civil unions, a decision he believed to be correct but that cost him his legislative seat, and

Whereas, Governor James Douglas brought Richard Mallary back into state government in 2003 as commissioner of taxes, and

Whereas, aside from his legislative and executive branch offices, Richard Mallary served ably on the boards of numerous nonprofit institutions, as an esteemed community leader, and in recent years as a Vermont Public Radio commentator, and

Whereas, Richard Mallary, who was strongly committed to upholding the most cherished civic values of Vermont's citizen democracy, died at age 82 on September 27, 2011, leaving his wife, Jeannie, his children, Richard, Anne, Elizabeth, and Sarah, and stepchildren, Jonathan, Lydia, and Hayden, as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly fondly remembers former Speaker of the House and Vermont statesman Richard Walker Mallary of Brookfield, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to members of his family.

H.C.R. 209.

House concurrent resolution honoring Kathy Boyden for her 40 years of exemplary public service in the town of Williston

Offered by: Representatives Macaig of Williston and McCullough of Williston

Offered by: Senator Lyons

Whereas, the population of Williston has greatly increased during the last 40 years as this Chittenden County municipality has been transformed from a semi-rural community into a bustling Burlington suburb that has emerged as a major commercial and retail center in its own right, and

Whereas, the far more complex problems that now confront Williston town government have necessitated the diligent attention of dedicated municipal employees who have been required to respond to the new challenges of a far greater population, much more intricate administrative—especially zoning—matters, and the evolving technology employed to administer the business of local government, and

Whereas, through this evolution of the town, the Williston town office has been extremely fortunate that Kathryn Boyden has been one of its most valued employees, and

Whereas, Kathryn Boyden began her municipal government career on the fourth of January 1972, and

Whereas, over the years, the residents of Williston have come to rely on and appreciate the excellent response of Kathryn Boyden when they arrive at the town office to file documents, request a municipal record, or seek answers to important questions related to municipal services, and

Whereas, during her tenure, she has worked ably for four town managers and two town clerks, and

Whereas, the breadth of her knowledge related to local government resulted in her being asked to serve as acting town clerk and treasurer for extended periods of time on more than one occasion, and

Whereas, after 40 years of serving the citizens of Williston with courtesy, dedication, and respect, Kathryn Boyden retired on December 31, 2011, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly is pleased to honor Kathy Boyden for her 40 years of exemplary public service as an employee of Williston town government and extends to her best wishes for a happy and enjoyable retirement, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Kathy Boyden in Williston.

H.C.R. 210.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks' second consecutive New England championship girls' cross-country team

Offered by: Representatives Lenes of Shelburne, Webb of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Macaig of Williston, McCullough of Williston and Yantachka of Charlotte

Offered by: Senators Lyons and Snelling

Whereas, the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks have fielded some of the top girls' cross-country teams in Vermont during the past decade, and

Whereas, in November 2011, these superbly trained runners headed to Ponaganset High School in North Scituate, Rhode Island to defend their 2010 New England cross-country championship title, and

Whereas, the more southerly climes proved hospitable for CVU as it handily defeated hometown favorite, La Salle Academy of Providence, Rhode Island, 112 to 155, bringing home the team's third regional title in the past decade, and

Whereas, all of the 2011 CVU runners, including Rachel Baginski, Elsa Bock, Cally Braun, Erin Carter, Carly Caswell, Talia Cohen, Elly Colwell, Sigrid Dalheim, Kate Danyow, Julienne Devita, Josephine Devita, Adrienne Devita, Autumn Eastman, Anna Franceschetti, Emily Geske, Caitlin Grasso, Kestral Grevatt, Maggie Haesler, Brianna Hake, Laura Harris, Dana Hartshorn, Sophie Hess, Madison Hyams, Aleksey Jordick, Abby Keim, Alex Krupp, Amanda Lougee, Cassidy McGlaflin, Carly Neeld, Alyson O'Connell, Katie Polhemus, Emma Putre, Elizabeth Rensch, Kayla Servin, Olivia Slater, Taylor Spillane, Meghen Sullivan, Claire Trotter, Isabelle Unger, and Rose Watts, received constructive instruction from veteran coach Scott Bliss, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks New England championship girls' cross-country team, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Champlain Valley Union High School.

H.C.R. 211.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Mark Mitchell of Barnard

Offered by: All Members of the House

Whereas, Mark Mitchell brought compassion, enthusiasm, and wisdom to his role as the member from Barnard who represented the citizens of the Windsor-6-1 district during the years 2007–2011, and

Whereas, a native of London, England, Mark Mitchell lived in Ireland before moving to the United States with his family following World War II, and

Whereas, his introduction to the Upper Valley occurred as an undergraduate at Dartmouth College, from which he graduated in 1956, and in 1962, Mark

Mitchell earned a master's degree in architecture from Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, and

Whereas, in between his academic degrees, Mark Mitchell served in, and was honorably discharged from, the United States Army, and

Whereas, as a registered architect, Mark Mitchell developed a special affinity for designing libraries and had been associated with the recent expansion of the Baker Library on the Dartmouth campus and the restoration and enhancements to the Norman Williams Public Library in Woodstock where he also served as a trustee, and

<u>Whereas</u>, his professional work had received the acclaim of architectural critics and been honored with awards, and

Whereas, as a legislator, Mark Mitchell articulated his views unambiguously and passionately in his distinctive voice which still revealed a lyrical Irish brogue, and

Whereas, Mark Mitchell sincerely enjoyed participating in the deliberative legislative process, and

Whereas, when his health no longer permitted him to serve his constituents with the maxim attentiveness and vitality that his personal integrity and pride demanded, Mark Mitchell resigned his legislative seat, and upon his being honored with an unexpected resolution "Declaring May 6, 2011 as Mark Mitchell Day in the Vermont House of Representatives," the overwhelmed member from Barnard expressed his amazement and profound gratitude, and

Whereas, Mark Mitchell continued to cherish each day of life until his death on October 26, 2011, and his wife, Sarah, children, and grandchildren will cherish his memory, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its sincere condolences to the family of former Representative Mark Mitchell, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to members of his family.

H.C.R. 212.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Missisquoi Valley Union High School Division III field hockey team

Offered by: Representatives Savage of Swanton and Consejo of Sheldon

Offered by: Senators Brock and Kittell

Whereas, having reached the championship game of the 2010 Division III field hockey playoffs, the Missisquoi Valley Union High School Thunderbirds were well accustomed to the drama and excitement that accompanies this ultimate game of the season, and

Whereas, once again the owners of the first seed, the Thunderbirds played a convincing game of field hockey as they progressed through the playoffs and into the championship game at the University of Vermont against the Stowe High School Raiders, and

Whereas, mindful of their valiant effort in the 2010 championship which proceeded all the way to a shootout match, the 2011 Thunderbirds sought to win the game within the confines of regulation play, and

Whereas, the opening minutes of the contest were scoreless, but then with 9:33 remaining in the first period, the Thunderbirds recorded the game's opening goal, giving the team the momentum to play on to a victory, and

Whereas, ahead 1–0 at the halftime break, the Thunderbirds resumed the offensive at 3:20 into the second half with the second Missisquoi goal, and

Whereas, although the Missisquoi lead was now more substantial, the Raiders recouped and scored their sole goal with 16:32 remaining in the second half, and

Whereas, now forewarned that Stowe could be effective, the Thunderbirds maximized their defensive alertness, and

Whereas, when the clock showed no time left to play, the Missisquoi field hockey team was jubilant as it had won the season's crucial finale 2–1 and captured the 2001 Division III field hockey championship, and

Whereas, this memorable 14–1–2 season was the result of contributions from team members Nicole Rainville, Vallary Ross, Becca Dumeny, Mikaela Flanagan, Erica Patterson, Dakota Raleigh, Mollie Parah, Annika White, Abby Thompson, Chelsea Boudreau, Camille Rainville, Kelli Salls, Kara Babcock, Rachael Greenia, Becky Cross, Myriam Bouti, Emily Gates, Kendall Spaulding, Jodi Hayes, and Riley Barna, and the great support of Head Coach Jeanne Rainville, Assistant Coach Ed Rainville, and team managers Sydney Spaulding and Riley Salls, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Missisquoi Valley Union High School Division III field hockey team, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Missisquoi Valley Union High School.

H.C.R. 213.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Missisquoi Valley Union High School Division II championship baseball team

Offered by: Representatives Savage of Swanton and Consejo of Sheldon

Offered by: Senators Brock and Kittell

Whereas, the 2010–2011 school year was already destined to be recorded as one of great triumph for interscholastic sports teams at Missisquoi Valley Union High School as the boys' soccer and basketball Thunderbirds won divisional titles, and clinching a third on the baseball diamond would be even more historic, and

Whereas, the baseball Thunderbirds proved a team of focused and talented players as they garnered the third-seed ranking for playoff competition and then continued on the winning path into the Division II championship game in Montpelier against the top-seeded Burr and Burton Academy Bulldogs, and

Whereas, despite a disappointing first inning which concluded with the Thunderbirds trailing 1–0, their innate athletic skills and positive attitude enabled them to prevent any further Bulldogs crossings of home plate, and

Whereas, the Thunderbird pitcher also scored his team's first run with a second inning home run, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the third inning, the Thunderbirds ignited for three runs, with a two-run single and a separate scoring hit, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the fourth, a squeeze play brought another Thunderbird home, and ultimately, an RBI triple in the sixth inning capped the Missisquoi scoring spree as its seventh and final run was tallied on the scoreboard, and

Whereas, this hard-working team returned to Franklin County with a 7–1 victory and the 2011 Division II baseball championship, and

Whereas, Thunderbirds Matt Colan, Matt Conger, Brady Corbiere, Turner Ede, Ben Fournier, Adam Hubbard, Craig Laroche, Kevin LeBlanc, Caleb Lothian, Kyle Lumsden, Jeremy Nadeau, Ryan Nadeau, Matt St. Amour, Chris Stell, Alex Larose, and Elijah Eaton proved a cohesive and capable squad of young athletes, and

Whereas, Head Coach Roy Sargent, assistant coaches Brook Sturdevant, Marshall Ploof, and Bob Iannaco, and team managers Genevieve White and Anastasia Nichols each contributed a distinct role to the team's victorious season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Missisquoi Valley Union High School Division II championship baseball team, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Missisquoi Valley Union High School.

H.C.R. 214.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2011 Middlebury Union High School Tigers Division I championship field hockey team

Offered by: Representatives Nuovo of Middlebury, Ralston of Middlebury, Stevens of Shoreham and Smith of New Haven

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Giard

Whereas, the 2011 Division I field hockey championship, played at Moulton Winder Field on the University of Vermont campus, featured the top-seeded South Burlington High School Rebels and the third-ranked Middlebury Union High School Tigers, and

Whereas, both teams had won one of their two regular season encounters, and

Whereas, the first half of championship play was an exact trade-off with the Tigers and Rebels each attempting six unsuccessful shoots on goal, and

Whereas, leaving the field in a midgame scoreless tie, both teams had breaking the deadlock as a second-half priority, and

Whereas, the tension was broken during the opening two minutes of the second half as Middlebury maximized a penalty corner opportunity, and

Whereas, a Tiger at the end line forwarded the ball to a teammate situated at the top center of the circle who directed the ball to the far right side of the goal, and

Whereas, the Rebels valiantly sought to even the score, attempting 12 more shots on goal and surpassing the Tigers 8–3 in corner advantages for the balance of the contest, and

Whereas, despite South Burlington's repeated offensive forays, the Middlebury defense was alert right through the final minute of play, and

Whereas, when the second half was finished, the Middlebury Union High School Tigers had clinched a hard-earned 1–0 victory and their first Division I field hockey championship title since 1998, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the entire Tiger squad, consisting of Elizabeth Dwire, Brandi Whittemore, Mychaella Devaney, Sophia Peluso, Brianna Foley, Kayla Weiss,

Caitlin McCluskey, Hannah Quinn, Bailee Desforges, Eva Pratt, Kate Knowles, Heather Massed, Chrissy Ritter, Tiffany Danyow, Maria Ploof, Paige Viens, Grace Boucher, Olivia Carpenter, Baily Ryan, and Heather Ploof, is to be commended as are Head Coach Kelley Higgins, Assistant Coach Elizabeth Moeykens, and athletic trainer Sarah Johnstone, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2011 Middlebury Union High School Tigers Division I championship field hockey team, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Middlebury Union High School.

H.C.R. 215.

House concurrent resolution honoring the Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation on its 40th anniversary

Offered by: Representatives Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Branagan of Georgia, Consejo of Sheldon, Degree of St. Albans City, Gilbert of Fairfax, Howrigan of Fairfield, Keenan of St. Albans City, McAllister of Highgate, Pearce of Richford, Perley of Enosburgh and Savage of Swanton

Offered by: Senators Brock and Kittell

Whereas, in the early 1970s, Franklin County had the state's highest unemployment rate as approximately 1,000 jobs were lost when the Canadian National Railroad purchased the Central Vermont Railroad, and local farming jobs were being eliminated due to agricultural automation, and

Whereas, St. Albans City Mayor M. "Ken" Kaye contacted Governor Deane Davis in 1971, resulting in the city's receiving \$1 million in federal funds from the New England Regional Commission, and being designated as Vermont's growth center, and these funds established the Target Area Action Program (TAAP) to reduce unemployment and to upgrade living standards in Franklin County, and

Whereas, in 1976, with federal funding exhausted, TAAP was redesignated as the Target Area Development Corporation (TADC) with a specific focus on economic development in Georgia, St. Albans City, St. Albans Town, and Swanton, and

Whereas, TADC determined that industrial park formation was the best economic development strategy, and the Swanton Industrial Park, with a diverse lineup of businesses, was the first to open, and

Whereas, a second industrial park opened in St. Albans Town and by 1980, a third industrial park, "the Dairy Industrial Park," had opened in Georgia, and

TADC was also instrumental in attracting the United States Immigration & Naturalization Service to St. Albans City, which became the area's largest employer, and

Whereas, as the 1980s progressed, Franklin County's unemployment rate was no longer the state's highest, and in 1984, TADC renamed itself the Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation (FCIDC) with a new countywide economic development mandate, including fostering the creation of local Enosburg and Richford industrial development corporations, and

Whereas, attracting Canadian companies and assisting in the presentation of youth job fairs have been among FCIDC's activities, and

Whereas, recently, the \$1.5 million Phase I infrastructure construction project was completed on the St. Albans Town Industrial Park's expansion parcel, and

Whereas, executive directors Frank Cioffi, Brian Susslin, Tom Hungerford, Tim Soule, and Tim Smith, and current FCIDC Chair Bill Cioffi have enabled Franklin County to improve its economic vitality, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation on its 40th anniversary, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to FCIDC Executive Director Tim Smith.

H.C.R. 216.

House concurrent resolution honoring Barbara Brayton for her laudable leadership of the Northfield Senior Center

Offered by: Representatives Donahue of Northfield and Grad of Moretown

Whereas, the Northfield Senior Center is an integral and vibrant community resource for the citizens of Northfield that provides the town's seniors with frequently used and greatly appreciated educational and social services, and

Whereas, these services include the provision of meals, discussion programs, the showing of films, and maintenance of a Facebook page which serves as a digital forum for the participants in the center's activities, and

Whereas, much of the credit for the center's success is directly attributable to the outstanding leadership of Barbara Brayton who has served as its director for many years, and

Whereas, Barbara Brayton arrived in Northfield in the 1970s and became the cook in the Northfield Senior Center's kitchen, and

Whereas, culinary skills were not her only talent as she proved to possess an ability to contribute constructively to many facets of the center's operations, and

Whereas, her mastery of the center's pulse and spirit created an obvious match and made her ideally qualified to assume the role of its director, and

Whereas, selecting Barbara Brayton as director of the Northfield Senior Center was a wise decision as her leadership has brightened and enhanced the lives of Northfield's seniors, and

Whereas, she more than fulfilled everyone's expectations, and built a legacy of accomplishment and a solid foundation for the organization's future prosperity, and

Whereas, Barbara Brayton encouraged and facilitated a multigenerational presence at the center through her development of a youth volunteer program, and

Whereas, in the summer of 2011, Barbara Brayton concluded her much-admired tenure as the center's director, and

<u>Whereas</u>, her many friends in Northfield will have fond memories of the superb public service she gave to the community and especially its seniors, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Barbara Brayton for her laudable leadership of the Northfield Senior Center, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Barbara Brayton.