Concurrent Resolutions

H.C.R. 24.

House concurrent resolution designating February 1, 2013 as Wear Red Day

Offered by: Representatives Ram of Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, Batchelor of Derby, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Cole of Burlington, Cross of Winooski, Evans of Essex, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Gallivan of Chittenden, Haas of Rochester, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lenes of Shelburne, Martin of Wolcott, McCarthy of St. Albans City, McFaun of Barre Town, Mook of Bennington, Mrowicki of Putney, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pearson of Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Till of Jericho, Townsend of Randolph, Townsend of South Burlington, Wilson of Manchester, and Wizowaty of Burlington

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Ashe, Ayer, Benning, Bray, Campbell, Cummings, Flory, Fox, Galbraith, Hartwell, Kitchel, MacDonald, Mazza, McCormack, Mullin, Nitka, Pollina, Rodgers, Sears, Snelling, White, and Zuckerman

Whereas, the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women® movement has been impacting the health of women for 10 years, and more than 627,000 women's lives have been saved and 330 fewer women are dying every day, and

Whereas, heart disease is the Number 1 killer of women, yet only one in five American women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat, and

<u>Whereas</u>, cardiovascular diseases cause one in three women's deaths each year, killing approximately one woman every minute, and

Whereas, an estimated 43 million women in the United States are affected by cardiovascular diseases, and

Whereas, 90 percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease, and

Whereas, women comprise only 24 percent of participants in all heart-related studies, and

Whereas, since 1984, more women than men have died each year from heart disease, and the gap between men's and women's survival continues to widen, and

Whereas, women are less likely to call 911 for themselves when experiencing symptoms of a heart attack than they are if someone else were, and

Whereas, by increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering women to reduce their risk of cardiovascular disease, thousands of lives can be saved every year, and

Whereas, in celebration of the 10th National Wear Red Day on Friday, February 1, 2013, Go Red For Women is asking all women across America to wear red to educate the public on the threat that heart disease can pose to women, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, designates Friday, February 1, 2013, as Wear Red Day in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association in Williston.

H.C.R. 25.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2012 Woodstock Union High School Wasps Division III championship football team

Offered by: Representatives Clarkson of Woodstock, Bartholomew of Hartland, Gallivan of Chittenden, and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators Campbell, McCormack, and Nitka

<u>Whereas</u>, as the defending Division III championship football team, the Woodstock Wasps looked forward to returning to the gridiron in 2012, and

Whereas, the fall 2012 campaign had featured eight games in which 20 or more points were scored in one quarter, assisting the Wasps to bring a 10–0 record into the championship game against the No. 2 BFA-Fairfax Bullets, and

Whereas, BFA-Fairfax assumed a quick 12–0 lead, but the Wasps persevered, emerging ultimately triumphant with an impressive 38–18 victory, and

Whereas, the 2012 Division III title was the second consecutive football championship for Woodstock and its eighth championship in 11 years, and

Whereas, the fantastic squad of Woodstock football players in 2012 included Ty Anstruther, James Morgan, Nehemiah Wood, Matt Poljacik, Zach Cole, Ed Doton, Steven Titus, Hunter Schmell, Nicholas Sprague, Tom Baumann, Bradley Lewis, Stephen Baumann, Oliver Kajia, Ray Kurek, Logan Dusik, Sam Cole, Alex King, Sam Zonay, Jaired Stewart, Matt Broadwell, Will Emmons, Hunter Schulz, Nathan Fegard, Justin Martel, Ben DiCarolis, Will Gault, Travis Gault, Austin Waterman, Jalen Peterson, Ethan Buckman,

Ryan Blanchard, Kyle Longley, Bradley Hinson, Chris Flynn, and Jesse Davis, and

Whereas, Head Coach Jim McLaughlin, Assistant Coaches Charles Worrell, Ramsey Worrell, Jordan Larson, Zach Scott, and Keegan Moriarty, Managers Anilese Peterson and Brittney Poljacik, and Athletic Trainer Brandy White each contributed to the Wasps' great 2012 football season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2012 Woodstock Union High School Wasps Division III championship football team, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 26.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Vermont Works for Women on its 25th anniversary

Offered by: Representatives Wizowaty of Burlington, Ancel of Calais, Bartholomew of Hartland, Batchelor of Derby, Bissonnette of Winooski, Botzow of Pownal, Bouchard of Colchester, Branagan of Georgia, Browning of Arlington, Burke of Brattleboro, Campion of Bennington, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Cheney of Norwich, Christie of Hartford, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Condon of Colchester, Conquest of Newbury, Consejo of Sheldon, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Cross of Winooski, Dakin of Chester, Davis of Washington, Deen of Westminster, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington, Ellis of Waterbury, Emmons of Springfield, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Fisher of Lincoln, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Gallivan of Chittenden, Goodwin of Weston, Grad of Moretown, Greshin of Warren, Haas of Rochester, Head of South Burlington, Heath of Westford, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Montpelier, Hubert of Milton, Huntley of Cavendish, Jerman of Essex, Jewett of Ripton, Johnson of South Hero, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Keenan of St. Albans City, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Klein of East Montpelier, Koch of Barre Town, Komline of Dorset, Krebs of South Hero, Krowinski of Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Larocque of Barnet, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lenes of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Lippert of Hinesburg, Macaig of Williston, Malcolm of Pawlet, Manwaring of Wilmington, Marcotte of Coventry, Marek of Newfane, Martin of Springfield, Martin of Wolcott, Masland of Thetford, McCarthy of St. Albans City, McCormack of Burlington, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Michelsen of Hardwick, Miller of Shaftsbury, Mitchell of Fairfax, Mook of Bennington, Moran of Wardsboro, Mrowicki of Putney, Myers of Essex, Nuovo of Middlebury, O'Brien of Richmond, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Partridge of Windham, Pearce of Richford, Pearson of Burlington, Peltz of Woodbury, Potter of Clarendon, Pugh of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Ralston of Middlebury, Ram of Burlington, Savage of Swanton, Scheuermann of Stowe, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Shaw of Derby, Smith of Morristown, Smith of New Haven, South of St. Johnsbury, Spengler of Colchester, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sweaney of Windsor, Taylor of Barre City, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Toll of Danville, Townsend of Randolph, Townsend of South Burlington, Trieber of Rockingham, Turner of Milton, Waite-Simpson of Essex, Webb of Shelburne, Weed of Enosburgh, Wilson of Manchester,

Winters of Williamstown, Woodward of Johnson, Wright of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte, Young of Glover, and Zagar of Barnard

Whereas, Vermont Works for Women was founded in 1987 as Northern New England Tradeswomen to help women enter, advance, and remain in the skilled trades, and

Whereas, in 2000, Northern New England Tradeswomen's mission was expanded to include training, educating, supporting, and advocating for women and girls exploring and pursuing opportunities in trades and technical fields, including the Women Can Do conference, the Rosie's Girls program, and an information technology program known as Step IT Up, and

Whereas, the organization's mission was broadened again in 2005 to provide for new programs, including Step Up to Law Enforcement, and

Whereas, in 2007, Northern New England Tradeswomen became Vermont Works for Women and, in 2009, it articulated the current mission as helping women and girls recognize their potential and explore, pursue, and excel in work that leads to economic independence, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in July 2011, Vermont Works for Women joined with Girls Move Mountains to establish a program of back-country activities, and

Whereas, Vermont Works for Women's educational activities for incarcerated women, including the modular home project and a program for women in transition from prison, have reduced recidivism rates to one-fifth the state average, and

Whereas, Vermont Works for Women continues to educate women and girls from all over the state from diverse backgrounds about nontraditional career opportunities they may never have considered, and

Whereas, the National Association of Mayors, the City of Burlington, the Vermont Governor's Commission on Women, the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the John Merck Fund have each recognized Vermont Works for Women's quarter-century of accomplishments, and

Whereas, as part of its 25th anniversary celebration, Vermont Works for Women collaborated with the Vermont Folklife Center to create an exhibit called Labor of Love, touring the state, including the State House cafeteria, featuring stories and photos of women in many nontraditional occupations, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Vermont Works for Women on its 25th anniversary, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Vermont Works for Women.

H.C.R. 27.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Jack Healey on winning his 20th Vermont Sportscaster of the Year award

Offered by: Representatives Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Christie of Hartford, Condon of Colchester, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Gallivan of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Huntley of Cavendish, Komline of Dorset, Malcolm of Pawlet, Potter of Clarendon, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Stevens of Shoreham, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Whereas, sportscasters must remain alert during a broadcast to call each play of an athletic contest and to be ready to supplement their play-by-play coverage with pertinent statistical information, and

Whereas, annually, the National Sportswriters and Sportscasters Association (NSSA) sponsors a state sportscaster and sportswriter of the year award for each state as well as a national award, and

Whereas, Jack Healey has been elected as the 2013 Vermont Sportscaster of the Year, and

Whereas, this is the 20th year that Jack Healey and his extraordinary sportscasting talents have been honored with this award, and

Whereas, before this year, no Vermont sportscaster had ever won the award on 20 different occasions, and

Whereas, with his receipt of the 2013 Vermont Sportscaster of the Year award, Jack Healey has been similarly honored in five different decades, having first won this accolade in 1979, and

Whereas, Jack Healey has worked as a sportscaster at WHWB in Rutland, WDOT, WVMT, and "The Zone" (WEAV and WXZO) in the Burlington area,

and for many years at WSYB in Rutland, where he currently reports on events in the sports world each weekday morning, and

Whereas, his broadcasting skills have also been showcased on the Northeast Sports Network and WCAXTRA, and

Whereas, the University of Vermont men's and women's basketball and hockey games are aired on occasion with Jack Healey calling the plays, and

Whereas, Jack Healey is familiar with the baseball diamond, having broadcast games for the Vermont Reds, Mariners, and Lake Monsters, and

Whereas, all of the 2013 NSSA awards will be presented in the association's hometown of Salisbury, North Carolina, and

Whereas, Jack Healey is truly one of his profession's best practitioners and a dedicated sports fan who can paint a vivid picture of the action on the basketball court, baseball diamond, or hockey ice for the listening or viewing audience, and his receipt of his 20th Vermont Sportscaster of the Year award is well deserved, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Jack Healey on winning his 20th Vermont Sportscaster of the Year award, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jack Healey at radio station WSYB in Rutland.

H.C.R. 28.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Vergennes Union High School 2012 Division II championship baseball team

Offered by: Representative Lanpher of Vergennes

Offered by: Senators Ayer, and Bray

Whereas, the Vergennes Union High School Commodores baseball team was seeded second in the 2012 Division II playoff competition and not unexpectedly reached the championship game at UVM's Centennial Field, and

Whereas, the big surprise was that Vergennes faced the 13th-seeded Thunderbirds of Missisquoi Union High School, a team consisting of determined players who batted and fielded its way into the season's most important contest, and

Whereas, Missisquoi opened the game with a quick 3–0 lead in its opening batting opportunity, an advantage that, although lasting five innings, did not foretell the game's outcome, and

Whereas, Vergennes realized that a championship victory was hardly guaranteed, and it battled back, ultimately earning a 4–3 lead that enabled the

Addison County squad to clinch the 2012 Division II title and an admirable 15–5 season record, and

Whereas, the team members whose great baseball play made this victory possible included Justus Sturtevant, Chris Leach, Nick Richer, Colin Babcock, Collin Curler, Charlie Stapleford, Zach Ouellette, Timmy Shea, Tommy Lee Hodsden, Devin Hayes, Aaron Rowell, Wade Steele, Dylan Raymond, Nick Paquin, and Will Vaughn, and

Whereas, head coach George Ringer, assistant coaches Dwight Burkett and Peter Stapleford, and student manager Luke Paquin each played an important part in the team's 2012 success, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Vergennes Union High School 2012 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 Vergennes Union High School.

H.C.R. 29.

House concurrent resolution honoring Robert Klein for his contributions to land conservation and ecological diversity preservation in Vermont

Offered by: Committee on Natural Resources and Energy

Whereas, in the late 1970s, the Vermont Natural Resources Council hired Bob Klein to survey natural communities in the state, and

Whereas, having earned a master's degree in environmental management, he was well trained to assume this important ecological inquiry, and

Whereas, in 1979, the Nature Conservancy's Vermont Chapter hired Bob Klein as its first executive director and first paid staff person, and

Whereas, this hiring began a 34-year odyssey to "preserve the diversity of life on earth" as it exists in Vermont, and

Whereas, during his tenure, the Nature Conservancy in Vermont has either "purchased or helped to conserve nearly 100,000 acres of ecologically important land in every corner of Vermont," and

Whereas, the Nature Conservancy's Vermont chapter uses private dollars to purchase land, quickly if necessary, often later transferring title to the state while retaining a conservation easement, and it also owns 20,000 acres in 56 natural areas, and

Whereas, the geographic breadth of these land preservation projects has extended from the Northeast Kingdom, where the organization was involved in the preservation of the West Mountain Wildlife Management Area, former

Champion Lands, to western Rutland County where it acquired over 4,000 acres that include 15 distinct natural communities, and

Whereas, the size of the land deals under Bob Klein's watch have ranged from the 120-acre Chickering Bog in Calais to the 10,000 acres of the Burt Forest surrounding Mount Mansfield, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Bob Klein helped establish the non-game wildlife and heritage program which is now under the jurisdiction of the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife, as well as a native plant nursery scheduled to be transferred to Green Mountain College, and

Whereas, after 34 years as Executive Director of the Vermont Chapter of the Nature Conservancy, overseeing many successful land preservation projects, and the staff's growth to 14 persons, including scientists and land stewards, Bob Klein will retire from this position in April 2013, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Robert Klein for his contributions to land conservation and ecological diversity preservation in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Bob Klein at the Vermont Chapter of the Nature Conservancy.

S.C.R. 13.

Senate concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative and Senator Edgar May of Springfield.

Whereas, Edgar May was a proud immigrant to the United States who epitomized his mother's thought that "anything is possible in America," and

Whereas, he and his sister, the future Vermont Governor Madeleine May Kunin, arrived with their mother in New York in June 1940 on the S.S. Manhattan as refugees fleeing the Nazi threat to European Jewry, and

Whereas, Edgar May graduated from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University and was a U.S. military veteran, and

Whereas, his first full-time position as a journalist was at the Bellows Falls Times, and his career path led to the Buffalo Evening News, for which he wrote a 14-part series entitled "Our Costly Dilemma" that exposed problems with the New York welfare system and that earned him a Pulitzer Prize, and the articles were subsequently compiled into a book, and

Whereas, this book attracted the attention of Sargent Shriver, who appointed Edgar May to senior positions in the federal War on Poverty, and

Whereas, in 1974, Edgar May successfully stood for election to the Vermont House of Representatives from his hometown of Springfield, and his eight-year tenure included three terms as chair of the House Health and Welfare Committee, with his prior work serving as a valuable resource, and

Whereas, in 1982, Edgar May sought a seat in the Vermont Senate, and beginning in 1985 served as the Senate Appropriations Committee Chair, earning bipartisan respect, and

Whereas, after leaving Vermont elected politics, Edgar May served as chief operating officer of Special Olympics in Washington, D.C., and

Whereas, on returning to Springfield, he spearheaded the effort to construct a new health and recreation center in a former Jones & Lamson machine tool building, and upon completion, this new facility, which is available to individuals of all income levels, was named in his honor, and

Whereas, Edgar May died at the age of 83, leaving as survivors his sister and many nieces and nephews, and his many friends and admirers in Springfield and elsewhere will retain fond memories of this extraordinary man, 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 and Senator Edgar May of Springfield, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to former Governor Madeleine May Kunin and to the Edgar May Health and Recreation Center in Springfield.

S.C.R. 14.

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating Montpelier High School Division II championship girls' tennis team.

Whereas, tennis is a sport of fast-paced activity in which one misdirected shot can change the final outcome, and

Whereas, the girls' tennis team at Montpelier High School had last won a state championship in 1985 when the Solons played in Division I, and

Whereas, in both 2010 and 2011, the Solons reached the decisive championship match only to come up short against the Bulldogs from Burr & Burton Academy, and

Whereas, the 2012 season repeated the now-familiar pattern as Montpelier and Burr & Burton appeared at center court ready to play for the Division II girls' tennis championship, and

Whereas, despite a 40-match winning streak, the Bulldogs proved they were, at least on this occasion, not invincible, and

Whereas, although the championship match included four tiebreakers, when play had concluded, the Solons emerged from the tennis court with a memorable 7–0 victory, and

Whereas, the Solon girls who displayed great skill and strategy on the tennis courts in 2012 are Carly Watson, Mary Cain, Annie Jones, Stassy Furber, Anna Hartman, Andie Parento, Alexis Boucher, Caitlyn Bashara, Chloe Golonka, Madison Dunn, and Alyssa Barrett, and

Whereas, coaches Wendy Watson and Laura Furber guided and cheered the Montpelier girls' tennis throughout the 2012 championship season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2012 Montpelier High School Division II championship girls' tennis team, *and be it further*

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

S.C.R. 15.

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating Lotus Lake Camp on its 60th anniversary.

Whereas, by 1952, there were numerous overnight summer camps for youngsters in Vermont, but there were few, if any, day camps from which children returned home at the end of each day, and

Whereas, the site of this now extremely popular central Vermont day camp is the 300-acre former Lotus Lake Farm which the Martin family had owned since the early 1880s, and

Whereas, Proctor Martin believed that the farm, and its lake known as Cutter Pond, would serve as an ideal setting for teaching children swimming and useful and fun outdoor skills, and

Whereas, in collaboration with his wife, Helen, and brothers, Raymond and Hildreth, Proctor Martin opened Lotus Lake Camp in the summer of 1952 with five campers, and

Whereas, Proctor Martin remained the leader of Lotus Lake Camp until his death in 1968, and

Whereas, Lotus Lake camp is now under the expert direction of Proctor Martin's daughter, Dorothy, and son-in-law, John Milne, daughter, Becky Watson, and her daughter, Beth Allen, and other grandchildren and great-grandchildren have assumed roles in the camp's operation, ensuring that

it has remained a family enterprise and commitment into a fourth generation, and

Whereas, in 2012, in celebration of its 60th anniversary as a welcoming and exciting annual summer destination for approximately 160 youngsters, Lotus Lake Camp held two days of commemorative activities on July 6 and 7, 2012, at which camp alumni had the opportunity to renew old acquaintances and recollect fond memories of their summers both recent and long ago, and

Whereas, as it enters its seventh decade, Lotus Lake Camp continues to provide enjoyable recreational and instructional opportunities for children in central Vermont who eagerly anticipate each summer day's activities, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Lotus Lake Camp on its 60th anniversary, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dorothy Milne at Lotus Lake Camp in Williamstown.