

## **Resolutions**

### **H.C.R. 190.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Twin Valley High School Wildcats 2013 Division IV championship boys' soccer team

Offered by: Representatives Manwaring of Wilmington and Moran of Wardsboro

Whereas, the 2013 Twin Valley boys' soccer team concluded an amazing 17–0 season, including a school record 16 shutouts, and a 90–1 outscoring of the opposing teams, and

Whereas, the Wildcats tied a National Federation of State High School Associations' record for fewest goals scored against a boys' soccer team in one season, and

Whereas, Twin Valley won the 2013 Marble Valley League championship, and

Whereas, in the Division IV championship game, played at Whitcomb High School in Bethel, first-seeded Twin Valley led second-seeded Proctor Jr./Sr. High School 2–0 at halftime and won the game 3–0, as it clinched the 2013 divisional title, and

Whereas, the Wildcats, a number of whom won individual, all-state, or twin-state recognition, included Colin Lozito, Cade Nesbitt, Eli Park, Dal Nesbitt, Dylan Johnson, Jeremy Hunt, Keegan Reed, Sam Molner, Morrow Bernard, Jacob Hicks, Hank Sweeney, Wyatt Shippee, Oscar Smith, Evan Therrien, Conall Sullivan, Justin Hicks, Kyle Murdock, Nick Nilsen, Baylee Crawford, DJ Lazelle, Troy Felisko, Skyler Boyd, and Brett Swanson, and

Whereas, Head Coach Buddy Hayford was named Marble League Coach of the Year, Vermont Small School Coach of the Year, and both the National Soccer Coaches Association's Region 1 Coach of the Year and National Small School Soccer Coach of the Year, and assistant coaches Ryan Holton and Jesse Trudeau and team manager Jack Roche were each contributors to the team's success, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Twin Valley Union High School Wildcats 2013 Division IV championship boys' soccer team, and be it further

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

## H.C.R. 191.

House concurrent resolution honoring Dr. Fred Holmes and documentary filmmaker Bess O'Brien for their efforts to address youth opiate addiction in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Keenan of St. Albans City, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Beyor of Highgate, Branagan of Georgia, Cole of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Consejo of Sheldon, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Pearce of Richford, Pugh of South Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Savage of Swanton, and Weed of Enosburgh

Offered by: Senators Collins and McAllister

Whereas, when Dr. Fred Holmes completed his pediatric residency at the University of Vermont, there was no instruction in substance abuse treatment, and

Whereas, he established Mousetrap Pediatrics in St. Albans, which has expanded to include field offices throughout Northwestern Vermont, and

Whereas, in October 2006, an 18-year-old patient walked into the doctor's office seeking help to end his opiate addiction, and Dr. Fred Holmes was clueless about how to treat the young man, and

Whereas, Dr. Fred Holmes initiated a self-education process reviewing professional literature and consulting experts to acquaint himself with this real-world, and unfortunately growing, problem, and

Whereas, he has developed an innovative medication and therapeutic regimen to treat opiate-addicted youths, and his office over the last four and one-half years has received over 4,000 inquiries from youths and parents seeking help, and

Whereas, an important element of Dr. Fred Holmes's treatment program is extended conversations with his patients to build a relationship of trust, and he finds these conversations result in real therapeutic value, and

Whereas, Kingdom County Productions cofounder and documentary filmmaker, Bess O'Brien, and Dr. Fred Holmes have collaborated on a community film entitled *The Hungry Heart*, which documents the story of youth opiate addiction in Franklin County, and

Whereas, the film, which features patients of Dr. Fred Holmes relating their personal experiences, is intended as an inducement for other young persons and their families to tell their own stories and to show Vermonters that opiate addiction involves actual individuals, and not mere statistics, and

Whereas, *The Hungry Heart* has been screened in communities throughout Vermont and is being shown in the State House today, January 21, 2014, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Dr. Fred Holmes and documentary filmmaker Bess O'Brien for their efforts to address youth opiate addiction in Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dr. Fred Holmes and Bess O'Brien.

### **H.C.R. 192.**

House concurrent resolution honoring David Palmer for his public service in Central Vermont

Offered by: Representatives French of Randolph, Ryerson of Randolph, Buxton of Tunbridge, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Haas of Rochester, Hoyt of Norwich, Masland of Thetford, and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators MacDonald, Kitchel, and McCormack

Whereas, in 1975, as a VISTA volunteer, David Palmer focused on developing a rural public transit service for Central Vermont, and in 1976, he founded the nonprofit Stagecoach Transportation Services, and

Whereas, in 2014, Stagecoach has grown into a regional transportation service of 25 wheelchair-accessible vehicles serving 29 towns and 70,000 riders annually, with scheduled and on-demand transportation for medical appointments, senior citizens, and human service needs, and

Whereas, as Stagecoach's executive director, David Palmer has managed this nonprofit skillfully and adroitly, addressed changing federal policies and economic challenges, has expanded this always-courteous public transit service, and has never missed a payroll, and

Whereas, after the devastating downtown Randolph fires in the early 1990s, David Palmer served, from 1993 to 2001, as the first President of the Randolph Community Development Corporation, and his excellent stewardship resulted in the Randolph Area Chamber of Commerce's naming him its 1996 Business Executive of the Year, and

Whereas, due in part to David Palmer's dedicated public service, downtown Randolph today is robust, and the community remains a significant regional service center, and

Whereas, for nearly four decades, David Palmer has been a pillar of the Bethany Church, UCC, in Randolph, serving as a trustee, and a Christian educator for children and youth, and he was a prominent leader in the church's successful \$1 million capital campaign in 2008, and

Whereas, on November 11, 2013, David Palmer retired from Stagecoach Transportation Services, and among his many continuing activities is serving as a Vermont Ski Ambassador on the slopes at Killington, and

Whereas, despite David Palmer's quiet and unassuming manner, the breadth of his accomplishments in Central Vermont is impressive, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors David Palmer for his public service in Central Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to David Palmer.

### **H.C.R. 193.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Essex High School Hornets championship boys' volleyball club

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, in recognition of volleyball's popularity among high school youth, the Vermont Principals' Association has authorized boys and girls volleyball club competition for a two-year trial period, and

Whereas, the talented Essex High School boys' volleyball club won all of its group matches, and was awarded the number-two seed for the semifinal competition, and

Whereas, each playoff match consisted of a best-of-three set format, with the first team to achieve 15 points declared the winner of a game, and

Whereas, after defeating third-seeded Lyndon Institute in a two-set sweep, the Hornets faced the top-seeded Champlain Valley Union (CVU) Redhawks, for the State boys' volleyball club championship, and

Whereas, in an exciting final match played at Johnson State College, Essex won the opening set, CVU bounced back in the second, and the 13-all tie in the deciding game of the match was broken when the Hornets took advantage of two CVU hitting errors to win the set 15-13, and be crowned the first Vermont boys' State championship volleyball club, and

Whereas, the skilled Hornet volleyball players were Brandon Underhill, Parker Ryan, Douglas Schonholtz, Caleb Root, Marsh Palin, Cole Blondin, Timothy Yandow, Joseph Aiken, Lukas Armstrong-Laird, Jeffery Kent, Hugh Bradshaw, and Ian Audette, and they had support from Head Coach Karen Chesser, Assistant Coach Jen Liguori, and Team Manager Jared Vaughan, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013 Essex High School Hornets championship boys' volleyball club, and be it further

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

#### **H.C.R. 194.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship field hockey team

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, for the past few years, the Essex High School field hockey team would complete a great season of play, but then fall short of gaining the Division I championship title, and

Whereas, in 2013, the field hockey Hornets were a skilled and talented squad of athletes who recorded only one loss the entire season, and

Whereas, they played a consistently outstanding caliber of field hockey and were awarded the top seed in the playoffs, and

Whereas, Essex proved their playoff ranking was accurate, as the Hornets reached the championship game at the University of Vermont against the second-seeded Hartford Hurricanes, and

Whereas, the Hornets maximized their opportunities, concluding the contest with a 3–0 victory and becoming the proud owners of the 2013 Division I field hockey championship title, and

Whereas, this outstanding group of field hockey players included Paige Mittl, Cristina Tellez, Siena Teare, Emily Dowman, Allison Rutz, Erin Murphy, Kathleen Young, Paula Noordewier, Chelsea Martin, Samantha Poratti, Abigail Evans, Tiffany Barnes, Sarah Smith, Elise Carney, Briege Mahoney, Alexandra Celia, Maria Grant, and Madison Corkum, and Head Coach Heather Garrow and Assistant Coach Robin Noble can be extremely proud of their students' accomplishment, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship field hockey team, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 195.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys' track and field team

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, at the 2013 State track and field championship meet, the Essex Hornets boys' track and field team clinched first place by taking the top spots in the long and triple jumps, the shot put, discus, 100-meter dash, and the pole vault, as they defeated St. Johnsbury Academy for the 2013 Division I title, and

Whereas, the members of the great Essex team included Seth Amalixsen, Jordan Arcovitch, Troy Austin, Kyle Baker, Sam Barch, Peter Barrows, Cole Blondin, Omkar Borse, Arthor Bosley, Jonathon Bosley, Hugh Bradshaw, Ian Brennan, Nathaniel Brennan, Logan Brunet, Robert Busch, Matthew Bushey, Alexander Carpenter, Thomas Carton, Kevin Conchieri, Daniel Correia, Martin Deutsch, Alexander Dewitt, Chase Dunbar, Jesse Earisman, Ryan Elliott, Robert Evans, Peter Feehan, Karlo Fresl, Sonam Friedensohn, Paul Friedman, Christian Golden, Faris Halilovic, Angus Hutcheon, Christopher Irish, Erik James, Jacob Jarvis, Jeremy Jarvis, Mark Kulhowvick, Jonah Lavigne, Isaac Lee, Micah Lemmel-Hay, Christopher Leow, Steven Maloney, Logan Martell, Jonathan Maurer, John McLemore, Jack Mechler, Nicholas Minadeo, Jesse Monahan, Alexander Morris, Shaun Morris, Henry Newman, Pim Nierop, Theodore Ninh, Everett O'Malley, Marsh Palin, Ryan Perry, Cole Picard, Brandon Robertson, Jacob Rodriguez, Nate Rodriguez-Hotchkiss, Eric Scharf, Doug Schonholtz, Jeff Schultz, Eric Schumacher, Matt Siemen, Spencer Sochin, Taylor Stutzman, Jason Tam, Miles Taylor, Trevor Utton, Darren Van Dzura, Kyle Van Dzura, Francisco Velasquez, Jordan Yandow, Tim Yandow, Jason Yin, and Amil Zenny, and

Whereas, the outstanding coaching staff included Head Coach Joe Gonillo, Associate Head Coach Katie White, and assistants Chris Polakowski, Tiffany Gilbert, Jeremy Hammond, Paul Allison, Ken Fontaine, V. Chase, Steve Dowd, Mickey Krug, and Antonia Armstrong-Laird, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys' track and field team, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 196.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2013 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship girls' track and field team

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, at the 2013 State track and field championship meet, the Essex Hornets girls' track and field team won the high, long, and triple jump events, as well as the discus, 300 and 100 hurdles, and the 4x100 relay in the process of defeating the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks for the 2013 Division I title, and

Whereas, the members of the 2013 outstanding Essex girls' track and field team included Marlo Allaire, Miranda Baker, Destin Barber, Kiley Boerger, Alex Brooks, Anna Burke, Margaret Caron, Caroline Chagnon, Mallory Charland, Nipu Coe, Sarah Correia, Olivia Dimambro, Ashley Douglas, Emily Douglas, Kathryn Eaton, Jenna Emery, Abigail Evans, Charlotte Evans, Isabelle Federico, Olivia Fewell, Caroline Flaherty, Olivia Fontaine, Katherine Furland, Courtney Gleason, Sossina Gutema, Amy Guthrie, Taylor Hallowell, Kira Hancock, Mychaela Harton, Paige Hathaway, Corrine Jacobson, Shelby Keefe, Gloria Keough, Emily Kerin, Bailey Kimball, Shelby Kranz, Erika Lemieux, Chloe Lemmel-Hay, Feora Leveillee, Ashley Lyon, Andrea Magnant, Emilie McDonald, Irma Melezovic, Rose Monahan, Hannah Mongeon, Melissa Morris, Sienna Mosher, Charlotte Murphy, Emily Murphy, Grace Murphy, Lillia Nelson, Mariah Neverett, Molly Noel, Ashlyn Nuckols, Anna O'Malley, Hollie Parks, Ellie Pinto, Rachel Pinto, Alexa Pius, Morgan Randall, Kayla Rideout, Sarah Robbins, Caroline Rose, Amanda Sinkewicz, Meghan Smith, Emma Sopchak, Lucy Sopchak, Gabriella Southwick, Madison Stephenson, Bethany Strong, Charlotte Stuart, Abby Trombley, and Mia Verro, and

Whereas, the supportive coaching staff included Head Coach Joe Gonillo, Associate Head Coach Katie White, and assistants Chris Polakowski, Tiffany Gilbert, Jeremy Hammond, Paul Allison, Ken Fontaine, V. Chase, Steve Dowd, Mickey Krug, and Antonia Armstrong-Laird, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2013 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship girls' track and field team, and be it further

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

#### **H.C.R. 197.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating David Ro on his tennis accomplishments at Essex High School

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, starting in his freshman year, David Ro, a 2013 Essex High School graduate, played a superb level of tennis that awed and impressed players and coaches throughout the State, and

Whereas, in each of his four years as a member of the Essex High School tennis team, David Ro completed the season as the Vermont individual high school boys' champion, and

Whereas, he most recently reaffirmed his prowess on the tennis court with 6-1 and 6-0 set victories to clinch his final high school match and the 2013 individual boys' championship title, and

Whereas, equally impressive, throughout his entire high school career, David Ro never lost a single set on the court, and

Whereas, David Ro is an excellent scholar, as well as a great tennis player, and is now a freshman at Dartmouth College, and

Whereas, his high school tennis accomplishments truly deserve special recognition, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates David Ro on his tennis accomplishments at Essex High School and wishes him the best of success at Dartmouth College, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to David Ro.

#### **H.C.R. 198.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Eileen Rossetti on being named a 2013 Vermont Outstanding Teacher

Offered by: Representatives Grad of Moretown and Greshin of Warren



Whereas, developing an appreciation for the arts is an important aspect of a school's educational curriculum, and

Whereas, music plays an important role in a child's education, and

Whereas, one of Vermont's excellent public school music teachers is Eileen Rossetti, who teaches at Moretown and Waterford Elementary, and

Whereas, Eileen Rossetti has an amazing ability to highlight the talents of her students who perform at school concerts, and

Whereas, her high standards challenge students to improve during the school year, and the end result is impressive, and

Whereas, colleagues describe Eileen Rossetti as "a master at encouraging students to take risks and perform with excellence," and

Whereas, the University of Vermont's College of Education and Social Services, in collaboration with supervisory unions and school districts, selects outstanding teachers throughout the State, and

Whereas, teacher honorees demonstrate excellence in one or more of five standards of "learning, professional knowledge, advocacy, collegueship, and accountability," and

Whereas, Eileen Rossetti is one of the winners of this coveted education award, and

Whereas, this honor brings her deserved recognition as a teacher who exemplifies the best attributes of her profession, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Eileen Rossetti on being named a 2013 Vermont Outstanding Teacher, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Eileen Rossetti at Moretown Elementary.

#### **H.C.R. 199.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Michael Coyle on his selection as the 2013 Washington West Supervisory Union Teacher of the Year

Offered by: Representatives Grad of Moretown, Ellis of Waterbury, Greshin of Warren, and Stevens of Waterbury

Whereas, annually, the University of Vermont enables each supervisory union and separate school district to honor an elementary and either a middle or high school faculty member as a Teacher of the Year, and

Whereas, in 2013, the Washington West Supervisory Union selected Harwood Union High School science instructor Michael Coyle as this year's honoree, and

Whereas, Michael Coyle was recognized for his collegiality and professional knowledge, and

Whereas, especially important in Michael Coyle's selection was his contribution to the implementation of Harwood Union High School's new 9th Grade Community, and

Whereas, in his work, Michael Coyle emphasizes the importance of rigor, relationships, and relevance to advance teaching and learning, and

Whereas, Michael Coyle inspires a collaborative approach among the 9th Grade Community faculty and, in his teaching, uses creative thinking and persistence, and

Whereas, one important aspect of his teaching methodology is to identify students at risk and to facilitate teacher-student meetings to develop supplemental support for these students, and

Whereas, he provides guidance for parents to assist in their children's educational progress, and

Whereas, Michael Coyle deserves the Award in recognition of his success in the classroom and in working with his colleagues, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Michael Coyle on his selection as the 2013 Washington West Supervisory Union Teacher of the Year, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Michael Coyle at Harwood Union High School.

**H.C.R. 200.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Meg Allison on being named a 2013 Vermont Outstanding Teacher

Offered by: Representatives Grad of Moretown and Greshin of Warren

Whereas, the leadership of a creative and knowledgeable teacher-librarian can serve as the catalyst for a child's development of a passion for reading, and

Whereas, Moretown Elementary is fortunate that Meg Allison, an inspiring educator, is the school's teacher-librarian and technology integration specialist, and

Whereas, Meg Allison graduated from St. Johnsbury Academy and Colgate University and earned a master's degree in education from the University of Vermont with a focus on school librarianship and educational technology, and

Whereas, prior to coming to Moretown Elementary, Meg Allison worked as a children's librarian at the Joslin Memorial Library in Waitsfield and at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library in Montpelier, and

Whereas, in 2011, while participating in the Moretown Connects project, Meg Allison wrote a grant resulting in an award of eVermont funds that provided each of Moretown School's 4th, 5th, and 6th graders with a netbook computer, and

Whereas, in 2013, Meg Allison was the keynote speaker at Dynamic Landscapes, the premier technology conference for educators in Vermont, and

Whereas, Meg Allison was one of two Moretown Elementary teachers to be awarded a Global Teacher Fellowship, enabling the instructors to tour French medieval castles and villages, and

Whereas, this travel experience will result in the introduction of a place-based curriculum at Moretown Elementary, and

Whereas, Meg Allison also teaches the introductory school library media specialist course at the University of Vermont, and

Whereas, her effectiveness as a school librarian is apparent from the long line of students who want to borrow books and be part of a reading group, and

Whereas, the University of Vermont's College of Education and Social Services, in collaboration with supervisory unions and school districts, selects outstanding teachers throughout the State, and

Whereas, Meg Allison, following in the footsteps of her parents who were both prior winners of this honor, has most deservedly been named a 2013 Vermont Outstanding Teacher, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Meg Allison on being named a 2013 Vermont Outstanding Teacher, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Meg Allison at Moretown Elementary.

**H.C.R. 201.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Stowflake Mountain Resort & Spa on its golden anniversary

Offered by: Representatives Scheuermann of Stowe and Smith of Morristown

Whereas, the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa resulted from the visionary foresight of Stuart and Bea Baraw, and

Whereas, in 1948, the Baraws purchased a few acres of the Gale Farm in Stowe and constructed a small weekend family retreat, and

Whereas, their Stowe getaway became such a popular a destination for many friends and family members that the couple decided to relocate permanently to Stowe and, in 1963, remodeled their Vermont homestead into the 20-guestroom Stoweflake Inn, and

Whereas, during the ensuing years, this modest inn grew to 120 luxury guest units, including individual rooms, suites, and townhouses, and

Whereas, a transformative change to the Stoweflake Inn was the addition of a spa that now covers 50,000 square feet, and the inn was renamed the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa, and

Whereas, the resort also features a conference center, sports facility, and Charlie B's Pub & Restaurant, and

Whereas, the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa has earned the AAA's four diamond rating and has won much praise for its amenities, and

Whereas, among the many published accolades are those from *Forbes Inc.*, which named the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa as one of the "Hottest Hotel Spas" and *New England Travel & Life* magazine's description of Stoweflake as a "Top Resort," and

Whereas, in 1986, the resort inaugurated the Stoweflake Balloon Festival which is now a nationally recognized hot-air balloon event, and

Whereas, the Baraw family remains the proud owner of Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa with Stuart and Bea's son, Chuck, serving as president, with Chuck's daughter, Sheri, and his nephew, Scot, as vice presidents, and

Whereas, 2013 marked 50 years since the Stoweflake Inn registered its first guest, and the resort today is an innovative leader in Vermont's hospitality industry, and the Baraw family is looking forward to the resort's exciting second half-century, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa on its golden anniversary, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Stoweflake Mountain Resort & Spa.

**H.C.R. 202.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Golden Eagle Resort on its 50th anniversary

Offered by: Representatives Scheuermann of Stowe and Smith of Morristown

Whereas, the origins of the Golden Eagle Resort in Stowe date back half a century to 1963, and

Whereas, guests at the Golden Eagle Resort are offered gracious hospitality in charming accommodations, many featuring fireplaces and some also including whirlbaths, and

Whereas, specialized promotions include alpine and cross-country skiing, and kids ski free packages, and

Whereas, dining, fitness, and spa facilities are located onsite, and

Whereas, a network of snowshoe trails and an ice skating pond are also present on the resort's property, and

Whereas, the Golden Eagle Resort is enormously proud of its role as an environmentally conscious corporate citizen and has initiated various efforts in this regard, and

Whereas, a sizeable segment of the resort's grounds is set aside for preservation, and the National Wildlife Federation has designated the Golden Eagle Resort as a Backyard Wildlife Habitat, and

Whereas, among the visitors to the resort's grounds and ponds are great blue herons, ducks, deer, woodchucks, and occasionally a wandering moose, and

Whereas, inside the Golden Eagle Resort, the management has taken steps to promote recycling and waste reduction, including participation in Project Planet, which reduces the Golden Eagle Resort's use of laundry detergent and excess water, and

Whereas, energy efficient fluorescent lights or LED bulbs now provide much of the lighting at the Golden Eagle Resort, and energy efficiency is being improved with the installation of insulation in the resort's main building, and

Whereas, as a member of the Vermont Fresh Network, the Golden Eagle Resort promotes the use of locally produced food, and

Whereas, in 2013, the Golden Eagle was pleased to celebrate its 50th anniversary and looks forward to continuing to provide outstanding hospitality to Stowe's visitors, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Golden Eagle Resort on its 50th anniversary, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Golden Eagle Resort.

### **H.C.R. 203.**

House concurrent resolution recognizing the commitment of Cape Air to serving Rutland

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

Offered by: Senators Flory, French, and Mullin

Whereas, commercial air service provides an important link in a community's domestic and international connectivity, and

Whereas, route realignments and consolidations have left smaller communities vulnerable to the discontinuation of air service, and

Whereas, one smaller community that is pleased to have commercial air service is Rutland, where flights originate and terminate at the Rutland-Vermont Southern Regional Airport, and

Whereas, Cape Air, an employee-owned company, is a recipient of the Federal Aviation Administration's Diamond Award for Outstanding Aircraft Maintenance, and

Whereas, annually, Cape Air serves over 650,000 passengers on 120,000 flights in the Northeast, Midwest, Florida, Caribbean, and Micronesia, and

Whereas, Cape Air has established a partnership with Jet Blue enabling travelers to extend their trips to destinations beyond Cape Air's territory, and

Whereas, passengers are offered a choice of three daily Cape Air flights in each direction between Rutland-Southern Vermont Regional Airport and Boston, and

Whereas, Cape Air's commitment to Rutland is symbolized in the opening, on January 6, 2014, of a new ticket office on West Street in downtown Rutland, and

Whereas, this office will provide added convenience for the local flying public, and

Whereas, the establishment of a downtown Rutland office marks a milestone for commercial air service in Rutland, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the commitment of Cape Air to serving Rutland, and be it further

Resolved: that the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Cape Air in Rutland.

**H.C.R. 204.**

House concurrent resolution recognizing the important health care contribution of nurse anesthetists in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Keenan of St. Albans City, Dakin of Chester, O'Brien of Richmond, and Spengler of Colchester

Whereas, nurse anesthetists were the first professional group to provide anesthesia in the United States, and are the oldest recognized group of advance practice registered nurse specialists, and

Whereas, these health care professionals have completed graduate-level education in one of the nationally accredited programs of nurse anesthesia, which qualify them to take the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNA) examination, and

Whereas, CRNAs are required to pass the national certification examination administered by the National Board on Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists in order to practice the art of anesthesia and must recertify every two years, and

Whereas, they practice in traditional hospital surgical suites, obstetrical delivery rooms; critical access hospitals ambulatory surgical centers; the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, plastic surgeons, and pain management specialists; as well as U.S. military, Public Health Services, and Department of Veterans Affairs health care facilities, and

Whereas, nurse anesthetists have been the main providers of anesthesia in all wars involving U.S. soldiers, sailors, and airmen, since the Civil War, and

Whereas, CRNAs are the primary providers of anesthesia care in rural America, enabling health care facilities in these medically underserved areas to offer obstetrical, surgical, and trauma stabilization services, and, in some states, CRNAs are nearly the exclusive anesthetic providers in rural hospitals, and

Whereas, nurse anesthetists provide needed anesthesia care in hospitals, medical facilities, including the Vermont Veterans Affairs Medical Center, and to Vermont military personnel serving in Afghanistan, and

Whereas, in Vermont, 45 CRNAs work in nine of the State's 13 hospitals in which surgical services are provided, and are part of the economic solution to health care reform, and

Whereas, the week of January 19, 2014 is designated as National Nurse Anesthetists Week, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the important health care contribution of nurse anesthetists in Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Association of Nurse Anesthetists.

**H.C.R. 205.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Shelby Meunier of Swanton on her participation in the 2013 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Great American Marching Band

Offered by: Representatives Savage of Swanton and Consejo of Sheldon

Offered by: Senators Collins and McAllister

Whereas, Shelby Meunier, now a senior at Missisquoi Valley Union High School (MVUHS), started playing the flute as a fourth grader, and

Whereas, her talents as a flutist were apparent, and, as a sixth grader, Shelby Meunier was accepted into the Vermont Youth Orchestra Association's (VYOA) Chamber Winds Program, and now plays in the VYOA's top-tiered orchestra, and

Whereas, Shelby Meunier's other musical activities have included membership in MVUHS bands and playing at her church and private events, and

Whereas, in the winter of 2012, Shelby learned of auditions for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Great American Marching Band, and



Whereas, this national musical ensemble is re-formed for each year's Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade from high school musicians across the United States, and

Whereas, Shelby Meunier decided to enter this stringent competition, and was thrilled to have been the only Vermonter awarded a place in 2013, and

Whereas, along with the 280 other selected students, she traveled to New York City for a week of touring and rehearsal in advance of Thanksgiving morning, and

Whereas, on Thursday, November 28, 2013, Shelby Meunier proudly marched and played her flute in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in front of thousands of enthusiastic onlookers along the parade's Manhattan route, while millions more watched on television, and

Whereas, playing in the 2013 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Great American Marching Band was a singular accomplishment in which Shelby Meunier can take great pride, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Shelby Meunier on her participation in the 2013 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Great American Marching Band, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Shelby Meunier.