

No. R-413. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2016 Bellows Free Academy–St. Albans Bobwhites Division I championship boys’ hockey team.

(H.C.R.324)

Offered by: Representatives Parent of St. Albans Town, Keenan of St. Albans City, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Branagan of Georgia, Fiske of Enosburgh, and Savage of Swanton

Offered by: Senator Degree

Whereas, the first-seeded Bellows Free Academy–St. Albans (BFA) Bobwhites boys’ hockey team was ready to meet the second-seeded Essex High Hornets on the ice at the University of Vermont’s Gutterson Fieldhouse for the Division I championship, and

Whereas, while good defensive play was a key Bobwhite component, the BFA victory hinged on two goals, one with 3:43 remaining in the first period and a second at the 10:51 mark of the second period, that resulted in the 2–0 BFA victory and the Division I championship, and

Whereas, the many BFA fans and alumni returned home with pride and elation, and

Whereas, the 2016 championship marks a State record as the 17th time the Bobwhites have won the Division I crown, and

Whereas, the Bobwhites roster included Sean Hengemuhle, Keegan Streeter, Owen Hungerford, Sam Shorey, Matt Needleman, Owen Ladd, Kyle Cioffi, Bryant Boissonneault, Alex Grismore, Tanner Cioffi, Collin Manahan, Ethan Bonnette, Hunter Kirouac, Zak Savage, Noah Rouleau, Isaac Cioffi, Hayden Fersing, AJ Allen, Hunter Laroe, Noah Walsh, Connor Wood, Logan Lanfear, Ben Thibault, Ben Lovelette, Colby Brouillette, Mark Howrigan, Cooper Cioffi, and Noah Vincelette, and

Whereas, Head Coach Toby Ducolon and assistant coaches Tom McDonald, Jon Haynes, Jon Malboeuf, Josh Corrigan, and Kevin Hurlbut were great teachers, and team managers Ian Manahan and Isaac Walsh were always helpful when called upon for assistance, now therefore be it, and

Whereas, *the Burlington Free Press* stated correctly “the sum of those efforts delivered one more win for this winter’s team to beat, one more championship for Vermont’s gold-standard program,” now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2016 Bellows Free Academy–St. Albans Bobwhites Division I championship boys’ hockey team, and be it further

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