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 requests floor consideration before the end of Friday's legislative session. Requests for floor consideration must be communicated to the House Clerk's office.

Resolutions

H.C.R. 7.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Wendy's High School Heisman Awards' Vermont State winners Abigail Schmidt and John Winslow

Offered by: Representatives Devereux of Mount Holly, Shaw of Pittsford, and Carr of Brandon

Offered by: Senators Campbell, Collamore, Flory, McCormack, Mullin, and Nitka

Whereas, the purpose of Wendy's High School Heisman Awards is to help "the nation's youth pursue their passions and realize their dreams," and

Whereas, these awards, based on academic achievement, athletic participation, and school leadership, honor high school students and are presented to school, state, and national winners, and

Whereas, the two 2014 Vermont State winners are Abigail Schmidt from Black River Union High School in Ludlow and John Winslow from Otter Valley Union High School in Brandon, and

Whereas, academically, Abigail Schmidt was her school's 2013–2014 University of Vermont Blue and Gold Scholarship winner and is an active member of Black River's National Honor Society chapter, and

Whereas, her school leadership roles include both student council president and captain of the girls' varsity soccer team, and

Whereas, Abigail Schmidt's athletic participation has also included membership on State championship snowboarding and softball teams, and

Whereas, her community service involves many organizations, including Black River Good Neighbors and the Church of the Annunciation, and

Whereas, John Winslow is talented in the classroom and on the playing field, has earned the respect of his fellow students and the Otter Valley Union High School faculty, and was chosen as a delegate to the 2014 Boys' State program, and

Whereas, he has been inducted into his school's National Honor Society chapter, and

<u>Whereas</u>, John Winslow's athletic leadership is reflected in his selection as captain of the Otter Valley football and basketball teams as well as of the North-South All Star Football Team, and he has repeatedly won all-star honors in both sports as well as baseball, and

Whereas, Abigail Schmidt and John Winslow were ideal award winners, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Wendy's High School Heisman Awards' Vermont State winners Abigail Schmidt and John Winslow, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Abigail Schmidt and John Winslow.

H.C.R. 8.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Essex Union High School Hornets State championship boys' volleyball team

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Dame of Essex, Evans of Essex, and Jerman of Essex

Whereas, volleyball has gained in popularity among high school athletes, and

Whereas, sufficient interest has developed in hitting the large ball across the net that the Vermont Principals' Association has awarded the sport exhibition status for both boys and girls competition, and

Whereas, as an exhibition sport, the boys' and girls' State volleyball championship is organized with all participating schools in a unified or open competition, and

Whereas, 2014 was the second year that State championship titles were awarded in volleyball, and

Whereas, the boys' championship game was played at Johnson State College, and Essex Union High School defeated Champlain Valley Union High School in a decisive 3–0 victory, and

Whereas, the Hornets have established an immediate reputation for volleyball excellence, having captured their second consecutive State title and earning a 9–1 2014 record, and

Whereas, the 2014 Essex boy volleyball players were Spencer Sochin, Ethan Harvey, Omkar Borse, Scott Lyon, Caleb Root, Jacob O'Connell, Andrew Wagner, Noah Eaton, Parker Ryan, Isaac Johnson, Marsh Palin, and Ian Audette, and their great coach was Karen Chesser, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Essex Union High School Hornets State championship boys' volleyball team, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 9.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Dr. Delores Barbeau on being named by the Vermont Academy of Family Physicians as the 2014 Physician of the Year

Offered by: Representatives Partridge of Windham, Olsen of Londonderry, Dakin of Chester, Komline of Dorset, and Trieber of Rockingham

Whereas, as a family physician and a former Maryknoll Sister, Dr. Delores Barbeau, M.D, M.P.H., has devoted her professional career to providing medical services to those most in need, and

Whereas, after graduating from college in New York State, Dr. Barbeau earned a medical degree and completed an internship at Universidad de San Simon in Cochabamba, Bolivia, and a combined residency in surgery and emergency medicine at the Elizabeth Seton Hospital, also in Cochabamba, and

Whereas, Dr. Barbeau remained in Latin America for a quarter of a century treating patients in the southern hemisphere, and

Whereas, in the United States, Dr. Barbeau also completed two family residency programs, one at Wayne State University in Michigan and the second under the auspices of the University of Massachusetts, and

Whereas, her intuitive teaching skills proved invaluable as she served as a faculty member for family medicine residency programs at both Harvard Medical School and the University of Massachusetts, and

Whereas, for a number of years, Dr. Barbeau was a staff physician at the nonprofit Mountain Valley Medical Clinic in Londonderry and served as the medical director of the Rutland Free Clinic, and

Whereas, since 2012, she has been a staff physician at the nonprofit Springfield Health Center, and

Whereas, she also provides medical services and health information at Neighborhood Connections, a nonprofit social service outreach agency serving the mountain communities of Londonderry, Weston, Andover, Windham, Winhall, Jamaica, Landgrove, Peru, and Bondville, and

Whereas, the popular and much admired Dr. Barbeau is a past winner of the Vermont Academy of Family Physicians, Physician of the Year Award, and

Whereas, the special humanitarian dedication she brings to her work as a doctor has resulted in the academy bestowing this honor on Dr. Barbeau for a second time, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Dr. Delores Barbeau on being named by the Vermont Academy of Family Physicians as the 2014 Physician of the Year, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dr. Delores Barbeau at the Springfield Health Center.

H.C.R. 10.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex Union High School Hornets 2014 Division I championship field hockey team

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Dame of Essex, Evans of Essex, and Jerman of Essex

Whereas, field hockey is a fast-paced sport played each fall on the fields of Vermont's high schools, and

Whereas, the Essex Union High School Hornets entered the 2014 Division I competition as the reigning champions, and

Whereas, the Hornets proved a solid team of skilled field hockey players as they remained undefeated throughout the regular season and into the playoffs, and

Whereas, top-seeded Essex advanced to the exciting Division I championship game in which it played against second-seeded Champlain Valley Union High School, and

Whereas, the Hornets scored first with sixteen minutes remaining in regulation play, and although Champlain Valley soon tied the game, Essex quickly surged ahead 2–1 to win the contest and its second consecutive Division I title, and

Whereas, the 15–0–1 Hornets who celebrated the great 2014 season included Abigail Evans, Kylie Svarczkopf, Siena Teare, Therese Lupariello,

Talia Boyers, Allison Rutz, Erin Murphy, Cristina Tellez, Kathleen Young, Sarah Smith, Grace Murphy, Tiffany Barnes, Anna Mechler, Elise Carney, Avery MacGillivray, Jenna Puleo, Maria Grant, and Madison Corkum; and head coach Heather Garrow; assistant coaches Robin Noble, Grace O'Neil, Barbara Isham, Kate Mitchell, and Kelsey Anair, and head trainer Leo Labonte were all supportive of the team's efforts, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Essex Union High School Hornets 2014 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 Essex Union High School.

H.C.R. 11.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Black River High School Presidents' Division IV championship softball team

Offered by: Representative Devereux of Mount Holly

Offered by: Senators Nitka, Campbell, and McCormack

Whereas, Black River High School's 2014 softball team was among Vermont's best, and

Whereas, the Presidents played a persistently high caliber of softball all season and continued their winning ways in the playoff competition, and

Whereas, their defeating Poultney High School 9–6, in an exciting, semifinal come-from-behind victory, gained the Presidents admission to the Division IV championship game against Blue Mountain Union High School, and

Whereas, in a thrilling season finale, the Presidents broke a 4–4 tie in the eighth inning to win the game 5–4 and capture the 2014 Division IV softball championship, their fifth State softball title, and

Whereas, the Presidents compiled an overall 15–3 record, and the winning players included Abigail Schmidt, Alice Faenza, Alex Barton, Montana LeTourneau, Paige Wade, Sage Allen, Morgan Collins, Gabrielle Miele, Elsa Eliasson, Brooke Willard, Sarah Rumrill, Holly Goodman, Kateri Collins, and Hannah Van Guilder, and

Whereas, Head Coach Howard Paul and Assistant Coach Bud Trimboli each contributed his wisdom and experience to the Presidents' outstanding 2014 season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Black River High School Presidents' Division IV championship softball team, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 12.

House concurrent resolution designating January 2015 as National Mentoring Month in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Dakin of Chester, Bartholomew of Hartland, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Bissonnette of Winooski, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Condon of Colchester, Connor of Fairfield, Conquest of Newbury, Cupoli of Rutland City, Davis of Washington, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donahue of Northfield, Fields of Bennington, French of Randolph, Gage of Rutland City, Graham of Williamstown, Greshin of Warren, Haas of Rochester, Head of South Burlington, Higley of Lowell, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Krowinski of Burlington, Lenes of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Long of Newfane, McCormack of Burlington, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Morris of Bennington, Morrissey of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Nuovo of Middlebury, Poirier of Barre City, Pugh of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Savage of Swanton, Sheldon of Middlebury, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Toleno of Brattleboro, and Townsend of South Burlington

Offered by: Senators Bray, Campion, MacDonald, and White

Whereas, relationships with caring mentors offer youth valuable support to guide them toward making positive and healthy life choices, and

Whereas, the mentoring programs schools and youth organizations offer are effective at increasing student attendance and academic performance, and

Whereas, mentored youth are less likely to skip school, start using drugs and alcohol, or engage in violence, and are more likely to attend college, and

Whereas, these young people exhibit improved self-esteem, have better relationships with family members and peers, and feel a greater connectedness to their community and schools, and

Whereas, partnerships between businesses, schools, and other youth service organizations and mentoring programs are an effective way for businesses to support youth within their communities, and

Whereas, collaborative mentoring programs that the entire community supports are able to serve more youth, and

Whereas, since 2013, Mobius has served as Vermont's mentoring partnership organization providing support for youth mentoring programs and volunteer mentors throughout the State, and

Whereas, Mobius with other public and private organizations are committed to working to increase the number of quality mentoring matches statewide, and

Whereas, hundreds of Vermont youth are waiting for mentors, and

Whereas, nationally, January 2015 is being observed as the 14th National Mentoring Month, a time dedicated to an outreach campaign focusing national attention on the need for mentors to ensure brighter futures for young people, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates January 2015 as National Mentoring Month in Vermont, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 13.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Marion Milne of Washington

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

Whereas, former Representative Marion Milne of Washington was born in Brooklyn, New York, and in 1957 she married Vermonter Don Milne who would later serve as the Clerk of the House of Representatives, and

Whereas, despite departing school at 16 years of age, Marion Milne later earned both her high school equivalency diploma and a bachelor's degree in political science from Goddard College, and

Whereas, in 1975, Marion Milne established the one-woman Milne Travel in Barre City, now a large and respected multistate travel agency, and

Whereas, Marion Milne's business acumen resulted in her becoming the Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce's first woman president, and

<u>Whereas</u>, her other civic roles included service on many community panels, including the boards of the Green Mountain United Way and the Calef Memorial Library in Washington, and the Vermont State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, and

Whereas, in 1994, Marion Milne was elected from her Orange County district to serve in the House of Representatives, and

Whereas, as a House member, Representative Marion Milne cochaired the Women's Caucus and was honored with its 2000 Legislator of the Year Award, and

Whereas, in 2000, Marion Milne spoke passionately on the House floor to announce that as a matter of conscience she was supporting legislation establishing civil unions, acknowledging the vote would probably end her legislative career, and

Whereas, Marion and Don Milne were named as corecipients of the Town of Washington's 2010 Citizen of the Year Award, and

Whereas, former Representative Marion Milne died at 79 years of age on August 14, 2014, and her death saddened many, and

Whereas, family survivors include her husband, Don, son, Scott, son and daughter-in-law, Chris and Marjorie, daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Scott Frey, daughter-in-law, Deborah Milne, eight grandchildren, sisters, Agnes, Irene, and Jean, and many extended family members, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its condolences to the family of former Representative Marion Milne of Washington, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send copies of this resolution to the family of former Representative Marion Milne.

H.C.R. 14.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Dolloff Acres Farm in Springfield on its winning the 2014 Vermont Dairy Farm of the Year Award

Offered by: Representatives Emmons of Springfield, Forguites of Springfield, Dakin of Chester, Bartholomew of Hartland, Connor of Fairfield, Graham of Williamstown, Lawrence of Lyndon, Partridge of Windham, Purvis of Colchester, Smith of New Haven, and Zagar of Barnard

Whereas, for over 50 years, the University of Vermont Extension and the Vermont Dairy Industry Association, in cooperation with the New England Green Pastures Program, have presented the Vermont Dairy Farm of the Year Award to an exemplary Vermont dairy operation, and

Whereas, among the factors used to evaluate nominated farms are the condition of the herd, pasture, and crop management, as well as the owners' broader farming community contributions, and

Whereas, the selection panel chose Dolloff Acres Farm in Springfield as the 2014 Vermont Dairy Farm of the Year, and

Whereas, the proprietors of the 160-Holstein dairy farm are Heidi and Mike Dolloff, and they milk 80 of their cows, selling the milk to the Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) Cooperative, and

Whereas, they have repeatedly earned DFA's highest quality award, and

Whereas, in 1997, starting with an existing herd of 30 cows, the Dolloffs purchased a 102-acre farm property in Springfield, and

Whereas, with great effort, the Dolloffs brought the unused barn and milking parlor up to current standards and built a new heifer facility, and

Whereas, with the addition of adjoining rented property, the couple is able to raise most of the herd's feed, and

Whereas, the Dolloffs promote dairy activity at the Windsor County Fair, and Heidi Dolloff is President of the Windsor County Farm Bureau and was named the organization's 2008 Farm Bureau Woman of the Year, and

Whereas, Heidi and Mike Dolloff are the parents of 11-year-old Hannah and four-year-old Matthew, who are already interested in the farm's activities, and

Whereas, Dolloff Acres Farm was honored at the 2014 Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, Massachusetts and will be honored locally at the Vermont Farm Show in Essex Junction in January 2015, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Dolloff Acres Farm in Springfield on its winning the 2014 Vermont Dairy Farm 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 the Dolloff family in Springfield.