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TO THE

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

Resolutions

H.C.R. 68.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 South Burlington High School Division I girls' and boys' championship tennis teams

Offered by: Representatives Townsend of South Burlington, Head of South Burlington, LaLonde of South Burlington, and Pugh of South Burlington

<u>Whereas</u>, tennis is a fast-paced sport in which the players must be agile and immediately responsive as the ball travels rapidly back and forth across the net, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 2014, the South Burlington High School Division I girls' and boys' tennis teams both compiled amazing and identical records including remaining undefeated in the Metro League (16–0) and overall (20–0), and completing their respective seasons as Division I champions, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the outstanding South Burlington girl tennis players included Jasmina Jusufagic, Lajla Badnjevic, Emily Sprague, Delaney Spink, Taylor Gloyd, Ke'ala Brosseau. Augie Arms, Kari VanKoevering, Sajani Sivakumar, Romana Bartosova, Elise Langevin, Anna Wulfson, Aster O'Leary, Meghan Cleary, Allison Norotsky, Amanda Anderson, and Sara Kunin, and head coach Jake Agna's mentoring always benefits the team, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the boys team consisted of Sai Andra, Marco Cepeda, Gabe Katz, Philip Nerber, David Manitsky. Clark Deng, Eli Rachlin, Jack Graham, Adam Tobey, Matt Jenkins, David Kunin, Mrinal Asthana, Dmitry Lakoba, and Ben Price, and head coach Andrew Samara was a tremendous team asset, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 South Burlington High School Division I girls' and boys' championship tennis teams, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 69.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 Essex Union High School Hornets Division I girls' ice hockey championship team

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

<u>Whereas</u>, as the Division I winners in 2012 and 2014, and a 2013 finalist, the girls' ice hockey Essex Hornets were familiar with the excitement and tension of championship competition, and

<u>Whereas</u>, again in 2015, the team was a season-long powerhouse, earning the No. 1 seed in the playoffs and a Division I championship appearance at the University of Vermont's Gutterson Fieldhouse, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Hornets faced off against the No. 2 seeded Middlebury Tigers, scored the contest's first goal 31 seconds into the contest, and left the ice at the final buzzer with a 5-1 victory and the 2015 Division I girls' ice hockey championship, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Hornets concluded the 2014–2015 season with a 14–6 record, and the team's skilled players were Victoria Gibson, Sara Manley, Amanda Sinkewicz, Bailey Gaskill, Sydney Laplant, Hannah Palmer, Kaitlyn Butkus, Kathleen Young, Justine Martin, Melanie Theriault, Kylee Hope, Nicole Foice, Victoria Bean, Avery MacGillivray, Sarah Tobey, Maeve Bissonnette, Anna Mechler, Tiffany Barnes, Julie Pearce, Cicely Haggerty, Lindsay Hallowell, and Mary Simons, and all of the players appreciated the support of team manager Emily Evenson and coach John Maddalena, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2015 Essex Union High School Hornets Division I girls' ice hockey championship 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. 70.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 and 10th consecutive Essex Union High School Hornets' girls' gymnastics State championship team

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

<u>Whereas</u>, girls' gymnastics is a sport with multiple apparatuses, including uneven parallel bars, the vault, the beam, and a series of floor exercises, and each event requires concentration and precision, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the girls' gymnastics teams at Essex Union High School have a long record of amazing success, and during the 2014–2015 season, this tradition was proudly continued as Essex compiled an undefeated regular season record, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Hornet fans, who attended the 2015 State championships, held at Essex on February 21st, expected a home-team victory, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the hometown crowd were pleased as Essex surpassed all of its competitors, solidly topping second-place South Burlington 144.42 to 130.40 while clinching the top four slots in individual competition, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the 2015 Hornets girls' gymnastics State championship was its 10th consecutive title and 23rd overall, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the fantastic 2015 Hornets' girls' gymnastic team included Anna Charland, Eve Contois, Emily Douglas, Mya Dusablon, Abigail Evans, Abigail Gehsmann, Lindsey Gleason, Allison Green, Claire Peterson, Jenna Puleo, Haley Sullivan, Kylie Svarczkopf, and Lauren Watson, and their ever helpful coach was Ashley Godin, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2015 and 10th consecutive Essex Union High School Hornets' girls' gymnastics State championship 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. 71.

House concurrent resolution honoring Nancy Zorn for her 15 years of outstanding leadership as Executive Director of the Green Mountain United Way

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

<u>Whereas</u>, Nancy Zorn has led Green Mountain United Way (GMUW) as its Executive Director through a time of great change, as United Ways across the country moved to a community-impact model, creating a greater focus on prevention in the areas of education, income, and health, and <u>Whereas</u>, in education, she worked to ensure that parents, grandparents, and other caregivers have the tools they need to help children reach their full potential, and she served on the Building Bright Futures Council and the Let's Grow Kids campaign, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Nancy Zorn is part of the Central Vermont Job Fair that connects job seekers with potential employers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, developing an employment training program featuring a financial literacy component was an important activity for Nancy Zorn, who has guided over 30 persons through this type of pre-employment instruction, and she serves on the board of the Jump\$tart Coalition, working on financial literacy education for students, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the health field, Nancy Zorn has focused her interest on reducing deaths from chronic disease, through programs involving physical activity and good nutrition; she has helped to organize Dental Care Days in Randolph; and she has served on the Central Vermont Hunger Council that provides food to insecure families, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Nancy Zorn helped grow: VT 2-1-1; the GMUW Volunteer Network; the FamilyWize prescription drug discount card program; the annual Letter Carriers' Food Drive; and the Barre Rotary Give a Gallon project, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in a project of great immediacy, she was involved in the opening and staffing of the flood relief center in Barre after Tropical Storm Irene, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Green Mountain United Way staff and members of the many coalitions with whom she worked to bring about positive change in our local communities will sorely miss Nancy Zorn as she concludes her role as the organization's Executive Director, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Nancy Zorn for her 15 years of outstanding leadership as Executive Director of the Green Mountain United Way, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 72.

House concurrent resolution congratulating University of Vermont women's ice hockey Catamount Amanda Pelkey on scoring her 100th college career point Offered by: Representatives McFaun of Barre Town, Hooper of Montpelier, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, LaClair of Barre Town, Poirier of Barre City, and Walz of Barre City

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle, Pollina, and Starr

<u>Whereas</u>, Amanda Pelkey of Montpelier is a University of Vermont (UVM) senior majoring in exercise and movement science and is a forward on the Catamount women's ice hockey team, and

<u>Whereas</u>, even before entering UVM, Amanda Pelkey had proven her effectiveness on the ice as a member of U.S. Women's National Under-18 teams that at the International Ice Hockey Federation World Women's championship won gold in 2009, clinched silver in 2010, and then earned gold in 2011, and

Whereas, as a UVM freshman, she was named to the Hockey East All-Rookie team, and

<u>Whereas</u>, as a junior, Amanda Pelkey set single-season Catamount women's ice hockey records by scoring 21 goals and earning 40 points, while tying records for power play goals scored in a season, with seven, and points in a single game, with four, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in recognition of her exceptional junior season on the ice, Amanda Pelkey won a coveted spot on the New England Division I All-Star women's ice hockey team, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on Saturday, February 7, 2015, at the University of Maine's Alfond Arena in Orono, Amanda Pelkey scored a game-winning overtime goal in a most dramatic fashion, giving the Catamounts a memorable 2–1 victory over the Black Bears, and simultaneously recording her 100th college career point, a truly impressive personal achievement, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates University of Vermont women's ice hockey Catamount Amanda Pelkey on scoring her 100th college career point, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 73.

House concurrent resolution designating March 17, 2015 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Day in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Krebs of South Hero and Johnson of South Hero

<u>Whereas</u>, multiple sclerosis (MS) is a neurological disease of the central nervous system affecting 2.3 million people worldwide, and each hour someone is newly diagnosed with MS, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Greater New England Chapter reports that in Vermont more than 1,600 people are diagnosed with MS, and that the disease generally strikes people in the prime of life, between 20 through 50 years of age, and

<u>Whereas</u>, MS causes unpredictable effects in which the progression, severity, and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen, and the cause and cure for this often debilitating disease remain unknown, and

<u>Whereas</u>, for more than 59 years, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Greater New England Chapter has been committed to a world free of MS, through a heightening of public knowledge about and insight into the disease, and

<u>Whereas</u>, since 1946, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has been a driving force for MS research relentlessly pursuing prevention, treatment, and a cure, and, globally, the society has invested more than \$868 million in groundbreaking research, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the \$50.2 million the National Multiple Sclerosis Society raises annually supports 325 research projects at the best medical centers, universities, and other institutions throughout the United States and abroad, and

<u>Whereas</u>, researchers are increasingly optimistic that a solution to the medical mysteries of MS will be found, and

<u>Whereas</u>, discovering the cause, finding a cure, and preventing future generations from being diagnosed with MS is an important task that all Americans and Vermonters should support, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the General Assembly appreciates the dedication that the National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Greater New England Chapter has displayed in the effort to find a cure for MS, now therefore be it

<u>Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:</u>

That the General Assembly designates March 17, 2015 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness 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 National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Greater New England Chapter.

H.C.R. 74.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Abigail Hawkins on her winning first place in the oratory category at the 2015 Vermont Debate and Forensics League State championship

Offered by: Representatives Fagan of Rutland City, Cupoli of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, and Russell of Rutland City

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Flory, and Mullin

<u>Whereas</u>, Abigail (Abby) Hawkins, a Rutland High School freshman, is one of the few girls who have played high school football in Vermont, and she also plays girls' basketball, and

Whereas, away from the athletic arena, Abby Hawkins is a talented orator, and

<u>Whereas</u>, despite the basketball schedule that limited her oratorical participation to three regular season Vermont Debate and Forensic League meets, she was victorious twice, and

<u>Whereas</u>, oratory competitions typically consist of three rounds and, at one of her victories, Abby Hawkins was first in all three rounds,

<u>Whereas</u>, aside from attending her school's debate and forensics team's regularly scheduled practice sessions, Abby Hawkins devoted considerable time to individual preparation, and

<u>Whereas</u>, orators participating in the 2015 Vermont Debate and Forensics League State championship, held on February 7 at the State House, were required to select a topic, conduct thorough research, write a speech lasting eight minutes in length and then memorize it for presentation, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Abby Hawkins selected feminism and sports for her oration topic, certainly one of special personal interest, and

<u>Whereas</u>, she was one of the top three finishers in each of the standard three rounds, becoming eligible for a special State championship playoff round, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Abby Hawkins then proceeded to earn first place in the oratory category and will now participate in the Iroquois District competition in Towanda, Pennsylvania, and

<u>Whereas</u>, it is extremely unusual for a freshman to win the Vermont Debate and Forensics League's State championship in the oratory category, and her coaches, Ron Eisenman and Curt Casper, deserve recognition for their strong support and guidance throughout the academic year, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Abigail Hawkins on her winning first place in the oratory category at the 2015 Vermont Debate and Forensics League State championship and be it further

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

H.C.R. 75.

House concurrent resolution honoring the humanitarian efforts of the Vermont Haiti Project and recognizing its social and cultural contributions to the State of Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Ryerson of Randolph, Briglin of Thetford, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Eastman of Orwell, Graham of Williamstown, Lucke of Hartford, Mrowicki of Putney, Partridge of Windham, Patt of Worcester, Toleno of Brattleboro, Townsend of South Burlington, Woodward of Johnson, and Zagar of Barnard

<u>Whereas</u>, the Vermont Haiti Project (VHP) was formed in 2007 as a formal extension of Project Haiti, an organization that had devoted 18 years to providing humanitarian services in rural Haiti, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 2009, the Internal Revenue Service granted the VHP 501(c)(3) nonprofit status, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the organization's goals include promoting "sustainability and capacity building through people-to-people partnerships," and "creating solutions from the inside out to develop healthier communities and cultural exchange opportunities," and

<u>Whereas</u>, VHP schedules volunteer work trips from Vermont several times each year, and VHP members have spoken at schools in Massachusetts, Vermont, and New Hampshire, and

Whereas, the activities of VHP are neither religiously nor politically centered, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the cultural exchange is a two-way process as VHP sponsors educational and professional development trips of Haitians to the United States, and Rotary and Rotary International, whose members have traveled to Haiti, have supported VHP's programs, and <u>Whereas</u>, while in the United States, these Haitian delegations are also educating Americans about Haiti, and

<u>Whereas</u>, these exchange programs enable the VHP to act as a cultural good will ambassador for both the State of Vermont and the United States, and

<u>Whereas</u>, following the devastating earthquake in Haiti on January 12, 2010, members of VHP traveled to the island nation to assist in the post-earthquake relief work, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in remarks on February 4, 2010, U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy praised VHP's relief work in Haiti, and

<u>Whereas</u>, VHP's current initiatives are created with the people of Haiti, who serve as the administrators of these projects, including the opening of a vocational school in Duchity, Haiti, and the ongoing installation of vital water filtration projects, with 300 installed to date, now therefore be it

<u>Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:</u>

That the General Assembly honors the humanitarian efforts of the Vermont Haiti Project and recognizes its social and cultural contributions to the State of Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Haiti Project in Shelburne.

H.C.R. 76.

House concurrent resolution recognizing important legal milestones in the protection of the rights of persons with disabilities and designating March 18, 2015 as Disability Awareness Day at the State House

Offered by: Representatives Pugh of South Burlington, Ancel of Calais, Bancroft of Westford, Baser of Bristol, Berry of Manchester, Bissonnette of Winooski, Botzow of Pownal, Branagan of Georgia, Brennan of Colchester, Briglin of Thetford, Browning of Arlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Buxton of Tunbridge, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Condon of Colchester, Connor of Fairfield, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Davis of Washington, Deen of Westminster, Donahue of Northfield, Fiske of Enosburgh, French of Randolph, Greshin of Warren, Haas of Rochester, Hooper of Montpelier, Jewett of Ripton, Keenan of St. Albans City, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Klein of East Montpelier, Komline of Dorset, Krowinski of Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lenes of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Long of Newfane, Macaig of Williston, Manwaring of Wilmington, Marcotte of Coventry, Masland of Thetford, McCormack of Burlington, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Mrowicki of Putney, Myers of Essex, Nuovo of Middlebury, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Partridge of Windham, Potter of Clarendon, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Sheldon of Middlebury, Sibilia of Dover, Stuart of Brattleboro, Trieber of Rockingham, Troiano of Stannard, Webb of Shelburne, Woodward of Johnson, and Young of Glover

Whereas, nearly one in five Vermonters today is living with a disability, and

Whereas, important anniversaries of several federal laws addressing the rights of persons with disabilities are being celebrated this year, including the 40th anniversary of the Developmentally Disabled Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (Pub.L. 94-103), which created new legal protections and safeguards for persons with developmental disabilities; the 45th anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Education of the Handicapped Act) (IDEA) (Pub.L. 91-230), which entitles each student with a disability to a free appropriate public education to meet his or her unique needs; and the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), which created new legal protections in employment, the delivery of public services, public transportation, public accommodations, and telecommunications for persons with disabilities, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on the judicial front, 2015 is the 16th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision in <u>Olmstead v. Zimring</u>, 527 U.S. 581 (1999), upholding the right of persons with disabilities to live in the community rather than in an institution, and

<u>Whereas</u>, State and local implementation of these laws and the U.S. Supreme Court decision have expanded opportunities for many Vermonters with disabilities as these legal milestones lowered barriers to equal access, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the advocacy efforts of the Vermont Coalition for Disabilities have changed perceptions of what is possible for people with disabilities, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the General Assembly recognizes that societal barriers still exist, and there are still challenges to overcome before people with disabilities realize the full promise of the ADA and other pieces of landmark legislation, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes important legal milestones in the protection of the rights of persons with disabilities and designates March 18, 2015 as Disability Awareness 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 for Disability Rights.

H.C.R. 77.

House concurrent resolution welcoming the Friends of UVM Baseball to the State House

Offered by: Representatives Frank of Underhill, Donovan of Burlington, Townsend of South Burlington, Bissonnette of Winooski, Carr of Brandon, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Lenes of Shelburne, McCormack of Burlington, Mrowicki of Putney, Potter of Clarendon, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Stevens of Waterbury, Sweaney of Windsor, Toleno of Brattleboro, and Wright of Burlington

<u>Whereas</u>, at the University of Vermont (UVM), baseball, perhaps the most American of all sports, was played for over a century for the seasons1888–1971 and 1978–2009, and

Whereas, softball was a popular varsity sport from 1974–2009, and

Whereas, the Catamounts' original home was Athletic Park and, beginning in 1906, they played in the more commodious confines of Centennial Field, named in honor of the 1904 centennial anniversary of the university's first graduating class, and

<u>Whereas</u>, during their long history of competition, the baseball Catamounts compiled a winning record of 1,485 victories, 1,306 defeats, and 34 ties, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Catamounts' season with the most victories was 2003, when they compiled 32 wins, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Catamounts were the America East regular-season baseball champions in 2003 and 2006, and

Whereas, UVM scored the most single-game runs (27) in a 1984 contest against Middlebury College, and

Whereas, Ethan Barlow holds the highest single-season baseball batting average, .455 in 1996, and the comparable career honor belongs to Jim Wawruck, who batted an impressive .366 (1989–1991), and

<u>Whereas</u>, on the baseball pitcher's mound, Richard DeNicola secured the most single-season victories, 10 in 1962, and two Catamounts, Richard Cassani (1961–1963) and Brady Frost (1991–1993), hold career honors, each with 21 victories, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in softball, Kristen Nestor Tayag (1995–1998) holds the top career batting average of .407, and a memorable pitcher was Katie Quinn Burns (1989–1992), who compiled a great 43–35 record, and

<u>Whereas</u>, although Catamount varsity baseball and softball ended in 2009, the spirit of those exciting seasons endures through the UVM club teams, and

Whereas, today, March 20, 2015, the memories of Catamount baseball and softball glory at Centennial Field are being recalled with great pride as the organization Friends of UVM Baseball is visiting the State House, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly welcomes the Friends of UVM Baseball to 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 Friends of UVM Baseball.

H.C.R. 78.

House concurrent resolution designating August 9, 2015, as Genealogy Day in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Yantachka of Charlotte, Brennan of Colchester, Cole of Burlington, Dakin of Colchester, Devereux of Mount Holly, Ellis of Waterbury, Evans of Essex, Hebert of Vernon, Lewis of Berlin, Martin of Wolcott, Pearson of Burlington, Purvis of Colchester, Ram of Burlington, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, and Townsend of South Burlington

Offered by: Senator Baruth

<u>Whereas</u>, genealogy is the tracing of an individual's or family's ancestry through a line of descending generations, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in cities and towns across Vermont, professional and amateur genealogists are busily, enthusiastically, and patiently combing through vital and other records in town halls, historical societies, libraries, and places of worship in search of their family's origins and original arrival in Vermont, and

<u>Whereas</u>, genealogical research can result in the documentation of centuries of family history and the discovery of previously unknown relatives, and

<u>Whereas</u>, one of the most ardent proponents of genealogical research in Vermont was the late Reverend Romeo Trahan S.S.E., who in 1996 cofounded the Vermont French-Canadian Genealogical Society, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Mike Sevigny published posthumously the Reverend Trahan's research as the book *A Vermont Trahan Family*, *History and Genealogy*, *Arcadian and Quebec Roots*, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Cecile Moran, a relative of the late Reverend Trahan, has extended his work through her introduction of genealogical research to a broader audience, and

<u>Whereas</u>, annually, on the 9th of August, Cecile Moran travels to a different Vermont location to present a Genealogy Day exhibit, and

<u>Whereas</u>, her goal is the encouragement of family genealogical gatherings as well as helpful guidance in pursuit of the attendees' personal family ancestry, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the 2015 edition of Cecile Moran's Genealogy Day will take place at the Jay Peak ski resort, and

<u>Whereas</u>, just as The French-Canadian Genealogical Society's library is now known as the The Vermont Genealogy Library @ the Fort in Essex/Colchester, Genealogy Day should be an encouragement for even more Vermonters to engage in their own genealogical adventures, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates August 9, 2015, as Genealogy 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 Cecile Moran and to the Genealogical Society of Vermont.

H.C.R. 79.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 South Burlington High School Rebels Division I boys' cross-country championship team

Offered by: Representatives Townsend of South Burlington, Head of South Burlington, LaLonde of South Burlington, and Pugh of South Burlington

<u>Whereas</u>, cross-country running requires a quick pace and a flexibility to adopt to varying types of terrain throughout the course, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the 2014 annual Vermont cross-country State championship took place at Thetford Academy, an ideal location for the event, and

Whereas, the 2014 South Burlington High School Rebels were among the strongest teams to compete for the Division I title, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the first four Rebel runners crossed the finish line in second, third, seventh, and 14th place, a set of results that enabled South Burlington to win the Division I championship with a low and, in this sport, winning score of 46 points, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the 2014 Rebels who ran so well all season included Spencer McClary, Talon Petrosino, Patrick Mellish, Harrison Hopper, Finley Killeen, Clayton Chisholm, Brandon Lee, Alex Gordon, Kyle McLane, Myles Blossey, Caleb LeVan, Jack Main, Gregory Desautels, Kevin Le, Brennan Hanson, Matthew Royer, Matthew Gordon, Peter Camardo, Ethan Sheffield, Philip Holt, Jackson Hauman, Tom Dustira, Tim Jia, Connor MacDonald, Michael Baechle, Brandon Moran, Alec McCrae, James Gregoire, Andy Tuttle, Caleb Kasupski, Joey Staples, Gabe Nelson, Sean MacDonald, Ben Moran, Nathan Kakalec, Trevor Houchens, Quinton Banus, Steven Chan, David Spargo, Matthew Spargo, and Luke Young, and head coach Geoff Bennett and assistant coaches Nate Bradbury and Brian McDonnell inspired the boys to run as swiftly as possible, now therefore be it

<u>Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:</u>

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 South Burlington High School Rebels Division I boys' cross-country championship team, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 80.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Williston All-Stars Little League baseball state championship team

Offered by: Representatives Macaig of Williston and McCullough of Williston

Offered by: Senator Lyons

<u>Whereas</u>, Little League baseball is a favorite pastime of youngsters across America and internationally in many countries, and

<u>Whereas</u>, following the regular season, the Williston Little League selects the best players to participate as the local league's All-Star team in playoff competition, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 2014, the Williston Little League featured many talented young players, and the assembly of an All-Star team resulted in a highly competitive squad, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Williston All-Stars proved their potential when on July 14, they were crowned District 1 champions, and

<u>Whereas</u>, their baseball exploits were hardly completed as Williston faced the Bennington All-Stars in the July 27 Vermont State championship game,

and in a score more reminiscent of football overwhelmed their southern opponents 27-0 capturing a memorable victory, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the players who batted, pitched, and fielded the ball so expertly and confidently for the Williston All-Stars were Baker Angstman, Jacob Boliba, Ben Herskowitz, Cale Layman, Aidan Johnson, Jonah Roberts, Storm Rushford, Griffin McDermott, Ryan Eaton, Owen McDermott, Nicholas Ravaschiere, and Daniel Rickert, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the proud coaches were Gino Johnson and Kevin McDermott, and team manager Paul Angstman was an important resource for players and coaches alike, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Williston All-Stars Little League State 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 Paul Angstman.