

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**ADDENDUM**

**TO THE**

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Text of House and Senate  
Concurrent Resolutions**

**of**

**April 9, 2015**

## **Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16**

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. 99.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Drew Duffy on winning the super-G title at the 2015 U.S. Alpine Championships

Offered by: Representatives Jewett of Ripton, Grad of Moretown, and Greshin of Warren

Whereas, the U.S. Alpine Championships is a premier downhill skiing competition attracting the nation's best downhill ski racers, and

Whereas, Drew Duffy attended the Green Mountain Valley School in Fayston, a world class ski academy, where he sharpened his speed and agility on the mountain slopes, and

Whereas, based on Drew Duffy's strong performance at a U.S. National Ski Team tryout, his winning a silver medal at the National Junior Championships, and a 19th-place super-G race finish at a prior year's U.S. Alpine Championships, he was awarded a spot on the 2014 U.S. Development (ski) Team, and

Whereas, when Drew Duffy approached the starting line for the super-G race at the 2015 U.S. Alpine Championships, held at the Sugarloaf ski area in Maine, he was seeded roughly in the middle of the 49 participating skiers, and

Whereas, although he previously won a 2012 giant slalom race at Stratton Mountain and a 2014 super-G race at Burke Mountain, neither close observers of national ski racing nor Drew Duffy thought he was a contender for first place at Sugarloaf, and

Whereas, Drew Duffy skied down the Sugarloaf slope at more than 60 miles per hour, recognizing that he was completing the course at a rather fast clip, and

Whereas, when all the scores were tallied, Drew Duffy was delighted to learn that he had won this nationally significant super-G race, and

Whereas, not only was Drew Duffy the fastest skier in the race, he was the only competitor under 21 years of age to earn a top 10 finishing time, and

Whereas, this 2015 U.S. alpine super-G win is a major and unexpected milestone in Drew Duffy's ski racing career, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Drew Duffy on winning the super-G race at the 2015 U.S. Alpine championships, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Drew Duffy,

#### **H.C.R. 100.**

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

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

Whereas, the Essex Hornets boys' ice hockey team and overtime play were well acquainted during the 2014–2015 season, as on nine occasions, including playoff games, three periods proved insufficient to complete a contest, and

Whereas, the strong and capable top-seeded Hornets skated their way into the Division I championship game at Gutterson Fieldhouse, where they faced off against the third-seeded South Burlington High School Rebels in a contest that marked a new milestone in a game's ice time, and

Whereas, the closely matched Hornets and Rebels were tied at two-all when regulation play concluded, and

Whereas, the teams proceeded to skate the longest-ever (79 minutes 45 seconds) Vermont ice hockey championship game, before Essex scored a thrilling 3–2 win and clinched the Division I title, and

Whereas, the Hornets, who skated an impressive 19–3–1 season, included Erik Short, Michael Croce, Brendan Gleason, Jeremy Leclair, Sean Vanzo,

Ryan Young, Jacob Gaboriault, Zachariah Godin, Nicholas McGovern, Alexander Giummo, Maverick King, Zachary McGinnis, Henry Adams, Joseph Robertson, Jared Lee, Jarret Cram, Dominick Lessard, Austin Theriault, Ethan Bartlett, and Jonathan Decatur, and

Whereas, head coach Bill O'Neil, whose 14th Division I ice hockey championship set a State record, and assistant coaches Jay Parent, Andrew Roy, and Rich Ceila were superb mentors for the team, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2015 Essex Union High School Division I championship boys' ice hockey team, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 101.**

House concurrent resolution honoring volunteer curator Jim Davidson and the Rutland Historical Society

Offered by: Representatives Russell of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Helm of Fair Haven, McCoy of Poultney, Potter of Clarendon, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Flory, and Mullin

Whereas, Jim Davidson is a history graduate of St. Anselm's College and taught history at Mount Saint Joseph Academy (1960–1979), and

Whereas, in writing his University of Kansas master's thesis, facilitated with a National Experienced Teacher Fellowship, Jim Davidson became acquainted with the State's local historical societies and recognized the important preservation, educational, and outreach roles they serve in their respective cities and towns, and

Whereas, in 1969, Jim Davidson was one of the founding members of the Rutland Historical Society (RHS) and has served with great pride and enthusiasm as the society's volunteer curator for 46 years, and

Whereas, he held this position on a part-time basis while still at MSJ and during his years as the respected Castleton State College (CSC) Registrar from 1979–1994, and

Whereas, on his retirement from CSC, Jim Davidson turned his full attention and talent as an idea creator and historian, to his curatorial duties at RHS, and

Whereas, Jim Davidson's diligent and meticulous work has helped develop the RHS, headquartered since 1993 in the former Nickwackett Fire Station on Center Street in Rutland, into the proud home of an interesting archive of artifacts and printed, hand written, and photographic documents, and

Whereas, he is especially proud of the society's broadcast and digital projects, including a collaborative document scanning project with the Rutland Public Library, the monthly public access television program *Historically Speaking*, and the RHS's great website that provides a gateway to the society's holdings, and

Whereas, in 1970, the RHS began publishing a quarterly newsletter (now the *News from Nickwackett*) and in 1978 issued its first book, *Rutland in Retrospective*, and subsequent volumes it has released under the RHS imprint

include *Early Families of Rutland, Vermont* (1990) and *History of Rutland, Vermont 1761–1861* (1991), and

Whereas, in 2007, Jim Davidson was named a Fellow of the Vermont Academy of the Arts and Science, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors volunteer curator Jim Davidson and the Rutland Historical Society, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jim Davidson and to the Rutland Historical Society.

### **H.C.R. 102.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 U-32 High School boys' track and field Division II championship team

Offered by: Representatives Klein of East Montpelier, Ancel of Calais, Donahue of Northfield, Lewis of Berlin, Patt of Worcester, and Smith of Morristown

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle, and Pollina

Whereas, boys' track and field is a multi-event spring sport that attracts youngsters with diverse athletic talents, and

Whereas, the different components within boys' track and field consist of running the fastest in dashes, relays, and runs; running and jumping the quickest over the hurdles; jumping the highest in the pole vault and high jump; jumping the farthest in the long jump and triple jump; and throwing either the discus or javelin the greatest distance, and

Whereas, on June 7, 2014, the Division II track and field championship meet was held at Fair Haven Union High School at which the U-32 boys' team earned first place with 108.5 points, an impressive 36 .5 point margin over second-place Lyndon Institute, and

Whereas, the U-32 boys who, in a strong combined effort, brought home the 2014 Division II track and field championship honors were Adam Gowans, Alex Warner, Amariah DiGiovanni, Dave Koonz, Derek Cote, Devin Hanson, Drew Hepburn, Eli Pandolfo, Garrett Carr, Griffin O' Neill, Henry John, Jalen Carter, John Rahill, MacKinley Shaffer, Michael Dunkle, Michael Hoffert, Reed Patterson, and Sam Merriman, and

Whereas, the boys' dedicated coaches included Mark Chaplin, George Olson, and Andrew Tripp, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 U-32 High School boys' track and field Division II championship team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to U-32 High School.

### **H.C.R. 103.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Michael Law on his induction into the Vermont Principals' Association Hall of Fame

Offered by: Representatives Donahue of Northfield, Lewis of Berlin, Ancel of Calais, Klein of East Montpelier, Patt of Worcester, and Smith of Morristown

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle, and Pollina

Whereas, Mike Law graduated from Montpelier High School in 1968, earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Vermont in 1972, and then became a physical education teacher and baseball, basketball, soccer, and softball coach in the Northeast Kingdom at Canaan High School, and

Whereas, during the 1974–1975 school-year, Mike Law first worked at U-32 High School in East Montpelier as a technician and gymnastics and track coach, and

Whereas, starting in 1975, Mike Law was employed in Barre as a physical education teacher and a football and track coach, and

Whereas, in 1989, Mike Law earned a graduate degree at Norwich University, and

Whereas, Mike Law's illustrious quarter-century longevity at U-32, including teaching, coaching, and administrative roles also began in 1989 and continued until 2012, and

Whereas, for five years, (1994–1999), Mike Law was the respected athletic director at U-32 Middle School, and

Whereas, Mike Law's U-32 coaching menu was broad and featured basketball, gymnastics, track, and most significantly football, as he led the U-32 Raiders to three Division IV gridiron championships, and

Whereas, since his retirement as a faculty member in 2012, the U-32 district's voters elected Mike Law as a member of the school's board of directors, and

Whereas, the Vermont Principals' Association's (VPA) most prestigious coaching award is induction into the organization's hall of fame, and

Whereas, in supporting Mike Law's successful nomination for this life-time recognition, then U-32 principal Keith S. Gerritt wrote that the nominee "set

the highest standards for behavior and sportsmanship” and “is a person of integrity” whose induction he recommended “without reservation,” sentiments in which the VPA concurred, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Michael Law on his induction into the Vermont Principals’ Association Hall of Fame, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mike Law at U-32 High School.

#### **H.C.R. 104.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Harwood Union High School Highlanders Division II championship girls’ and boys’ cross country teams

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

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle, and Pollina

Whereas, the Harwood Union High School Highlanders girls’ cross country team entered the fall 2014 season with an amazing record of five consecutive Division II championship titles, and

Whereas, despite the less-experienced team that ran at the State championship at Thetford, Highlander girls placed third, fourth, fifth, eighth, and ninth to top second-place U-32 by 14 points and clinch the team’s amazing sixth consecutive Division II crown, and

Whereas, the young but talented girl Highlanders who ran swiftly at the season’s ultimate meet were Erin Magill, Phoebe Sweet, Jordan Kulis, Isabel Jamieson, Anneka Williams, and Charlotte Boyden, and

Whereas, prior to 2014, the Harwood Union High School Highlanders boys’ cross country team had brought home the Division II championship in six of the past seven seasons, and

Whereas, in 2014, a Highlander boy finished 1st, 11th, 13th, 19th, and 20th, as Harwood won the 2014 Division II team title with a narrow one-point margin over second-place U-32 and Harwood’s 13th boys’ cross country State championship, and

Whereas, the 2014 running Highlanders included Sam Nishi, Jacob Palmerio, Morgan Baughman, Anthony Palmerio, Colin Fennelly, Kyle Dash, and Nathan Palmerio, and coaches John Kerrigan and Tom Strasser offered great guidance to the team, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Harwood Union High School Highlanders Division II championship girls' and boys' cross country teams, and be it further

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

#### **H.C.R. 105.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 Mill River Union High School Minutemen Division II championship girls' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Eastman of Orwell, Fagan of Rutland City, Haas of Rochester, Helm of Fair Haven, McCoy of Poultney, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Whereas, the Mill River Union High School girls' basketball team had never won a state championship, and

Whereas, the 2014–2015 Minutemen set out to prove that this season would be one for the supporters of girls' basketball at Mill River to remember and cherish, and

Whereas, this disciplined squad earned a third seed in the Division II playoffs and dribbled and shot its way forward into the championship game in Barre, where Mill River met the top-seeded Lake Region Rangers, and

Whereas, the two equally skilled teams were tied at 46 with 1:21 remaining in regulation play, when Mill River took advantage of a foul line opportunity that sealed its 50–46 win and gave the Minutemen their long-sought girls' basketball Division II championship, and

Whereas, this outstanding Mill River team compiled a great 19–5 season record and included Chelsea Congdon, Ella Bankert, Maggie Turco, Jessica Audy, Taylor Worcester, Rachel Reynolds, Olivia McPhee, Adrienne Bartlett, Melissa Fay, Mariz Mangundayao, Haley Hull, Carly Ward, Rylee Perron, Rylee Nichols, and Tessa Davenport, and

Whereas, the support of head coach Ken Webb, assistant coaches Darren Badgley and Jo Jo Valente, athletic trainer Matt Howland, and team managers Chelsea Blanchard and Hannah Sheehe was an important contribution to the Minutemen's memorable season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives: That the General Assembly congratulates the 2015 Mill River Union High School Division II championship girls' basketball team, and be it further



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

**H.C.R. 106.**

House concurrent resolution honoring Bob Mark as an extraordinary music educator and outstanding classical violinist

Offered by: Representatives Bartholomew of Hartland, Christie of Hartford, and Lucke of Hartford

Offered by: Senators Campbell, McCormack, and Nitka

Whereas, Bob Mark's first violin teacher was a Polish immigrant who became a member of the famous NBC Symphony Orchestra, and

Whereas, Bob Mark continued his studies at the Juilliard School prep program and earned his college degree at the Crane School of Music at the State University of New York at Potsdam, and

Whereas, Bob Mark studied with luminaries of the music world, including the composer and critic Virgil Thomson, the music pedagogue Nadia Boulanger, and the orchestral and choral conductor Robert Shaw, and

Whereas, after graduating from Crane, he became a music teacher and athletic coach at the North Country School in Lake Placid, New York, and

Whereas, while still teaching at North Country, Bob Mark joined the Adirondack Ensemble and began playing with the Vermont Symphony Orchestra, which in 1971 appointed him its Assistant Concertmaster, and

Whereas, in 1974, his career path took him to Northfield Mount Hermon School (NMH), where he established an instrumental instruction program and as a sideline performed with the Wantastiquet Chamber Players with distinguished musicians, including the pianist Rudolf Serkin, the violinist Isaac Stern, and the cellist Mstislav Rostropovich, and

Whereas, after 13 years at NMH, Bob Mark was based in Putney and taught at both Keene State College and the Brattleboro Music Center, and he worked at Marlboro College with Blanche Moyses's Bach Festival, and

Whereas, in 1995, Bob Mark's passion for teaching, belief in the importance of music education, and desire to encourage young persons to experience the joy of string ensemble playing resulted in his cofounding the Upper Valley Music Center (UVMC), and

Whereas, during his dozen years at the UVMC, Bob Mark created string education programs in local schools and spurred a strong interest in youth string ensembles that continues in the Upper Valley, and

Whereas, Bob Mark has instilled in the nearly 1,000 Upper Valley students he has taught a passionate love of music, and he has guided them in the

development their character, self-expression, confidence, and emotional well-being, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Bob Mark as an extraordinary music educator and outstanding classical violinist, and be it further

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

### **H.C.R. 107.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Mill River Union High School Minutemen Division II championship baseball team

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Eastman of Orwell, Fagan of Rutland City, Haas of Rochester, Helm of Fair Haven, McCoy of Poultney, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, Terenzini of Rutland Town, and Carr of Brandon

Whereas, the baseball boys of spring at Mill River Union High School had never brought home a divisional championship, and

Whereas, the 2014 season was memorable for the Minutemen as they were only defeated three times during the regular season and merited a second seed in the playoff round preceding the Division II championship game at the Montpelier Recreation Field, and

Whereas, the team's good fortune continued as it won a coveted slot in the season's decisive game and the opportunity to face a challenging opponent, the top-seeded Harwood Union High School Highlanders, and

Whereas, despite an initial 2–0 scoring deficit, the Minutemen rallied in the third inning with their first run, gained five more in the fourth, and picked up their final run in the seventh as they won this exciting championship game 7–4 and proudly clinched the 2014 Division II crown, and

Whereas, the baseball Minutemen who will be remembered in the history of Mill River's varsity athletics were Nick Miele, Dan Blanchard, Nick Coton, Ryan Darling, Jake Nichols, Quinn Kimball, Zack Allen, Thomas Bryne, Ben Upton, Lincoln Pritchard, Patrick Mumford, Mike Morgan, Caleb Whitney, and Jake Bishop, and their best support came from head coach Gary MacDonald and coaches Kevin Eaton and Scott Darling, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Mill River Union High School Minutemen Division II championship baseball team, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 108.**

House concurrent resolution expressing appreciation for the economic and health benefits that the yoga industry provides to Vermonters

Offered by: Representatives González of Winooski, Burke of Brattleboro, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, and Grad of Moretown

Whereas, there are dozens of yoga studios throughout Vermont, contracting with hundreds of yoga teachers, providing a significant economic benefit to the Vermont economy, and

Whereas, these yoga studios provide classes and trainings to thousands of Vermonters, and

Whereas, yoga has numerous health benefits for the people who practice it, including reduced incidences of depression, anxiety, stress, and back pain, and

Whereas, persons participating in yoga have been able to reduce their addiction to drugs or alcohol and address symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its deep appreciation to the yoga industry for the economic and health benefits the industry provides to Vermonters, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Students and Teachers Yoga Association in Montpelier.

**H.C.R. 109.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Lund Family Center on its 125th anniversary

Offered by: Representatives Keenan of St. Albans City, Donovan of Burlington, Ancel of Calais, Beyor of Highgate, Botzow of Pownal, Burditt of West Rutland, Buxton of Tunbridge, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Conquest of Newbury, Dakin of Colchester, Davis of Washington, Deen of Westminster, Donahue of Northfield, Ellis of Waterbury, Evans of Essex, French of Randolph, Head of South Burlington, Helm of Fair Haven, Hooper of Montpelier, Jerman of Essex, Johnson of South Hero, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Krebs of South Hero, Krowinski of Burlington, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lefebvre of Newark, Lenes of Shelburne, Long of Newfane, Macaig of Williston, Martin of Wolcott, McCormack of Burlington, Miller of Shaftsbury, Mrowicki of Putney, Murphy of Fairfax, Nuovo of Middlebury, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Parent of St. Albans City, Patt of Worcester, Pearce

of Richford, Pearson of Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Ryerson of Randolph, Savage of Swanton, Sheldon of Middlebury, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Townsend of South Burlington, Trieber of Rockingham, Webb of Shelburne, and Woodward of Johnson

Offered by: Senator Campion

Whereas, the General Assembly enacted No. 141 of 1890, establishing the “Home for Friendless Women,” and

Whereas, on April 12, 1893, the home opened in Burlington and, in 1926, it was renamed the “Elizabeth Lund Home,” in memory of Elizabeth Lund, an ardent supporter, and in honor of her husband, Dr. William B. Lund, who made a significant financial donation, and

Whereas, in 1969, a new “Elizabeth Lund Home” building opened on Glen Road in Burlington, and it was expanded in 1987, and

Whereas, in recognition of the home’s designation as one of Vermont’s first parent-child centers, in 1987, it was renamed and incorporated as the “Lund Family Center” (Lund), and

Whereas, in 2000, Lund partnered with other nonprofit organizations to open Independence Place, a transitional housing facility in Burlington at which clients are taught independent living skills, and

Whereas, in order to improve its residential treatment services for pregnant and parenting women and their children, in 2007, Lund conducted a capital campaign to finance an expansion and renovation of the Glen Road facility, and

Whereas, in 2011, Lund purchased a site at 50 Joy Drive in South Burlington to house adoption, education, and parent-child services as well as administrative offices and, following another capital campaign, dedicated the property in 2014 as the Hoehl Family Building, and

Whereas, Lund is Vermont’s only residential treatment program designed for pregnant or parenting women to live with their children while receiving treatment for substance abuse, mental illness, or both, and

Whereas, women residents at Lund can enroll in its New Horizon’s middle school, high school, and college preparatory programs, and early education and preschool classes for residing children are offered in collaboration with Head Start, and

Whereas, in 2015, Lund serves more than 4,000 Vermonters statewide and empowers families to break cycles of poverty, addiction, and abuse; and, during its 125 years, Lund facilitated over 9,000 adoptions, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Lund Family Center on its 125th anniversary, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 110.**

House concurrent resolution honoring John Kerrigan on his exemplary high school coaching and teaching career at Harwood Union High School

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

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle, and Pollina

Whereas, John Kerrigan grew up in New York State and began his biology teaching career in a challenging high school in southern New Jersey, and

Whereas, seeking a more agreeable academic environment, he relocated to Harwood Union High School, and

Whereas, in 1979, during his second year on the Harwood faculty, John Kerrigan took the reins of the boys' and girls' cross country teams, and

Whereas, as a former high school runner who overcame a severe muscular illness and returned to his former speed, John Kerrigan possessed a unique ability to empathize with young athletes, and

Whereas, in the decades that followed, John Kerrigan placed a strong emphasis on athletic participants' sportsmanship and execution, and

Whereas, John Kerrigan considered every student on a team he coached to be important, and

Whereas, along Harwood's cross country trail system, John Kerrigan posted a sign stating "Every time I run, I go to war" as a slogan to motivate the runners, and

Whereas, during the later years of his coaching career, John Kerrigan kept pace with his runners on a mountain bike he constructed with the assistance of parents, students, and community members, and

Whereas, John Kerrigan found the bicycle improved his coaching skills and enabled him both to keep up with his runners and to prevent them from pacing themselves too quickly during practice runs, and

Whereas, aside from coaching cross country, John Kerrigan also coached Nordic skiing and long distance track running, and

Whereas, in the fall of 2014, the Harwood girls' and boys' cross country teams captured their respective Division II titles, giving coach Kerrigan his 39th and 40th State championships in his multiple-sport coaching career, and

Whereas, in June 2015, after 41 years, John Kerrigan will conclude his respected role as a classroom teacher, but plans to continue as a great athletic coach, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors John Kerrigan on his exemplary coaching and teaching career at Harwood Union High School, and be it further

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

### **H.C.R. 111.**

House concurrent resolution commending the final Farmers Night Civil War Sesquicentennial anniversary presentation and the outstanding work of the Vermont Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission

Offered by: Representatives Devereux of Mount Holly, Branagan of Georgia, and Jerman of Essex

Whereas, to mark the sesquicentennial anniversary of the Civil War, the Friends of the Vermont State House have observed major milestones in Vermont's role in the conflict, in the form of Farmers Night commemorative presentations at the State House, and

Whereas, on April 8, 2015, the Friends of the Vermont State House will present "BENEDICTION: Lincoln and the Battle Hymn of the Republic," the final installment in this memorable series, and

Whereas, the evening's program will focus on both the April 2015 observance of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War's conclusion and President Abraham Lincoln's assassination, and

Whereas, Seth Bongartz, President of Hildene, Vermont's Lincoln family home, will discuss President Lincoln's magnificent 1865 second inaugural address, and

Whereas, the Constitution Brass Quintet will perform Civil War music, including a number of selections that were favorites of President Lincoln, and

Whereas, Civil War historian Howard Coffin will address the impact of President Lincoln's assassination on Vermont, including the staging of funerals in the President's memory in communities throughout the State, and

Whereas, State Curator David Schütz will present a brief history of Julia Ward Howe's famous Civil War song, *Battle Hymn of the Republic*, and baritone Brett Murphy will sing its famous melody combined with the words of *John Brown's Body*, which were the first documented lyrics paired with this stirring music, and

Whereas, local singer-songwriters Patti Casey and Pete Sutherland will perform the *Battle Hymn of the Republic*, inviting the audience to sing along, and

Whereas, thanks will be extended to the members of the Vermont Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission for their outstanding work, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly commends the final Farmers Night Civil War Sesquicentennial anniversary presentation and the outstanding work of the Vermont Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, to the Friends of the Vermont State House, and to Hildene in Manchester.

### **H.C.R. 112.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the winning teams in the 2015 Junior Iron Chef Vermont statewide youth culinary competition

Offered by: Representatives Manwaring of Wilmington, Bancroft of Westford, Baser of Bristol, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Berry of Manchester, Beyor of Highgate, Burditt of West Rutland, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Cole of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Dakin of Colchester, Dame of Essex, Devereux of Mount Holly, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Eastman of Orwell, Ellis of Waterbury, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Fields of Bennington, Fiske of Enosburgh, Forguites of Springfield, French of Randolph, Gamache of Swanton, Gonzalez of Winooski, Graham of Williamstown, Head of South Burlington, Hebert of Vernon, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Montpelier, Hubert of Milton, Huntley of Cavendish, Jerman of Essex, Johnson of South Hero, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, LaClair of Barre Town, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lefebvre of Newark, Lenex of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Long of Newfane, Lucke of Hartford, Macaig of Williston, Martel of Waterford, Masland of Thetford, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morrissey of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Parent of St. Albans City, Partridge of Windham, Patt of Worcester, Purvis of Colchester, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Ryerson of Randolph, Savage of Swanton, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Shaw of Derby, Sibia of Dover, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Townsend of South Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Turner of Milton, Viens of Newport City, Walz of Barre City, Webb of Shelburne, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury, Wright of Burlington, Yantacka of Charlotte, and Zagar of Barnard

Whereas, the 8th annual Junior Iron Chef culinary extravaganza took place on March 21, 2015, before over 1,000 enthralled spectators at the Champlain Valley Expo Center in Essex, and

Whereas, this unique cooking event promoting local foods is a joint project of the Burlington School Food Project and VT-FEED, with support from the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, and

Whereas, 61 teams, totaling 260 students and representing over 46 schools, devised unique dishes that maximized the use of local ingredients, and

Whereas, in order to accommodate the large number of teams, separate competitions were held in the morning and afternoon; each featuring middle and high school competitors, and

Whereas, the three award categories were Crowd Pleaser (honoring a recipe that incorporates great colors, textures, and taste), Mise en Place (awarded for exemplary teamwork, order, and professionalism), and the Lively Local Award (recognizing a recipe that best highlights Vermont foods), and

Whereas, the morning's winners for the Crowd Pleaser prize were the Sharon Sprouts (Sharon Elementary School) and the CVU Chefhawks (Champlain Valley Union High School); the Mise en Place winners were the Sharon Sizzlers (Sharon Elementary School) and the LCWS Wildcats

(Lake Champlain Waldorf School); and taking home the Lively Local Award were the Boys & Girls Club Middle School (Boys & Girls Club of Burlington) and the Jalapeño Hotties (Brattleboro Union High School), and

Whereas, in the afternoon, the Crowd Pleaser honorees were the Tuttle Team Dicing Divas (FH Tuttle Middle School) and All Wrapped Up (Twin Valley Union High School); the Mis en Place prizes were presented to the Green Mountain Le Petite Cheftains (Green Mountain Union High School) and to the Thunder Chefs (Missisquoi Valley Union High School), and the Lively Local Award winners were The Wolf Pack (Albany Community School) and Ze Bon Chefs (Milton High School), and

Whereas, all of the participating students demonstrated creativity, ingenuity, and a passion for the art of cooking, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the winning teams in the 2015 Junior Iron Chef Vermont statewide youth culinary competition, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Burlington School Food Project, VT-FEED, and each of the winning teams.



**S.C.R. 15.**

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the General Federation of Women's Clubs on its 125th anniversary.

*Whereas*, in 1889, the journalist Jane Cunningham Croly organized a meeting in New York City that attracted delegates from 61 women's clubs, and

*Whereas*, the group was organized formally in 1890 as the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC), and it adopted the motto, "We look for unity, but unity in diversity," and

*Whereas*, GFWC enhances the lives of others through its dedication to volunteer service, and

*Whereas*, today there are nearly 100,000 members in over 3,000 women's clubs in the United States and more than a dozen other nations, and

*Whereas*, the GFWC works locally to create global change through many activities including support of the arts, preserving natural resources, advancing education, and working toward world peace and understanding, and

*Whereas*, the organization has been a leader in the fight to end domestic violence, and in 2011, it established the GFWC Success for Survivors Scholarship, and

*Whereas*, in 2014, the 217 Vermont GFWC members volunteered nearly 6,000 hours and donated over \$5,000 to worthy causes, and

*Whereas*, parallel to the GFWC's international domestic violence efforts, in 1993, the Vermont GFWC created the Barbara Jean Barker Scholarship that awards scholarships to displaced homemakers, and

*Whereas*, Vermont GFWC also supports shelters for abused women and children as a response to domestic violence, and

*Whereas*, other Vermont GFWC projects include supporting food banks, mentor programs in schools, and Meals on Wheels, and

*Whereas*, in 1919, the Okemo Valley GFWC was established in Ludlow and has been a strong representative of the GFWC in Vermont for 96 years, and

*Whereas*, on April 24, 2015, the Okemo Valley GFWC will commemorate the GFWC's 125th anniversary at a celebratory event in Ludlow's Veterans Park gazebo, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly congratulates the General Federation of Women's clubs on its 125th anniversary, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Okemo Valley GFWC in Ludlow and to the General Federation of Women's Clubs international headquarters in Washington, D.C.