

State of Vermont
House of Representatives
Montpelier, Vermont



House Resolution

H.R. 25

House resolution congratulating Sophia Parker of Addison on being crowned the 2015 Miss Vermont's Outstanding Teen

Offered by: Representative Lanpher of Vergennes

Whereas, as a member of the class of 2017 at Vergennes Union High School (VUHS), Sophia Parker has developed a laudable list of personal accomplishments, and

Whereas, she is an excellent student and earned National Honor Society (NHS) membership, and

Whereas, as her NHS community service project, Sophia Parker serves as a volunteer on the Vergennes Rescue Squad—an ideal opportunity, as she aspires to a career in emergency medicine, and

Whereas, in addition to her academic work, Sophia Parker is a student leader and is involved in VUHS athletics, and

Whereas, an accomplished writer and public speaker, Sophia Parker submitted one of the top 20 essays in U.S. Senator Bernie Sanders's 2015 State of the Union Essay Contest and was a finalist in Rotary International's speech competition, and

Whereas, outside of school, Sophia Parker has worked as a lifeguard and was selected for the Green Mountain Girls State program, and

Whereas, Sophia Parker's articulateness, outstanding preparation, and thoughtfulness all contributed to a near-perfect score on her Miss Vermont's Outstanding Teen interview, and

Whereas, the interview result, in combination with her strong performance in other aspects of the competition, resulted in the judges' crowning Sophia Parker as the 2015 Miss Vermont's Outstanding Teen at a Barre Opera House ceremony, and

Whereas, for the past year, Sophia Parker has spoken in classrooms and to civic organizations on her Miss Vermont's Outstanding Teen platform topic, wildlife rehabilitation and land stewardship, drawing on her own experience as a wildlife rehabilitator, and

Whereas, Sophia Parker represented Vermont at the 2015 Miss America's Outstanding Teen competition in Orlando, Florida, now therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives:

That this legislative body congratulates Sophia Parker of Addison on being crowned the 2015 Miss Vermont's Outstanding Teen and wishes her every success in her future endeavors, and be it further

Resolved: That the Clerk of the House be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Sophia Parker.