

No. R-255. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys' cross-country team.

(H.C.R.206)

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Dunn of Essex, Giambatista of Essex, and Houghton of Essex

Whereas, having won 15 season championships from 1986 through 2016, the Essex High School Hornets boys' cross-country program can take great pride in its record of racing accomplishments, and

Whereas, this legacy serves as a strong incentive for the Hornets to strive for continued success, and

Whereas, among the Division I teams running at the 2017 State cross-country championship held at Thetford Academy, Essex was again a leading contender for top honors, and

Whereas, in the exciting Division I competition, the five top Hornet placements were 2nd, 3rd, 12th, 14th, and 21st, resulting in an average per-runner course time of 17 minutes and 34 seconds and a team score of 49 points, five points lower than runner-up Burlington High School, and enabling Essex to return home with the 2017 Division I cross-country crown, and

Whereas, Hornets Peter Alden, Henry Farrington, Connor Goodrich, Liam Mack, Brady Martisus, Jake Moran, Justin Poulin, Ben Stewart, and Jake Wagner ran speedily and steadily throughout the 2017 cross-country season, and

Whereas, the team was inspired by seeing Head Coach Eric Langevin wearing his own Hornets' championship jacket, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2017 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys' cross-country team, and be it further

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