

**No. R-282. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship boys' golf team.**

(H.C.R.226)

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

Whereas, in 2017, in anticipation of better ground conditions, varsity high school boys' golf was switched from a spring to a fall sport, and

Whereas, on a brilliant fall foliage day in October, these Vermont golfers gathered at a Killington course for the fall 2017 high school championship tournament, eager to drive and putt the ball, in pursuit of the lowest possible score, and

Whereas, Essex High School, which from 2007–2010 captured four consecutive Division I boys' golf titles, dispatched a talented team of four golfers to the championship links, hoping to return golfing glory to the school, and

Whereas, with a combined score of 337 points, the Hornets completed the championship round with the best Division I team score, a critical three points lower than second-place Champlain Valley Union High School achieved, and

Whereas, the entire Hornets squad played a great season on the State's golf courses and consisted of Jared Almeida, Stephen Astor, Eric Bahn, Patrick Cooper, Samuel Foster, Benjamin LaPlant, Jackson Moore, Brennan Moreau, Connor O'Neill, John Poratti, Steven Seaver, Alex Simard, Thomas Williams, Braden Woods, and Broderick Yates, and

Whereas, Head Coach Justin Norris and assistant coaches Gabe Coleman and Libby Smith served as outstanding mentors, 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' golf team, and be it further

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