State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 308

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers Division I championship girls' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Beck of St. Johnsbury, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury, Feltus of Lyndon, Lawrence of Lyndon, Martel of Waterford, Quimby of Concord, and Toll of Danville

Offered by: Senators Kitchel and Benning

<u>Whereas</u>, for the last five consecutive years, the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks won the Division I girls' basketball crown, but the top-seeded St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers were set to change this recent pattern when they met the second-seeded Redhawks in Burlington in the 2018 Division I championship game, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the combination of a Hilltopper turning in the strongest individual scoring performance at a Division I girls' basketball final in over a decade plus a skilled St. Johnsbury defensive effort threatened the Redhawks' title reign from the opening whistle, and

<u>Whereas</u>, St. Johnsbury surged ahead 16–7 after the first quarter, was in command 23–11 at halftime, and easily won the game 48-33 and the Division I title, completing a memorable 22-2 season on the basketball court, and

<u>Whereas</u>, these dynasty toppling Hilltoppers were Saleena Porter, Kayla Matte, Sadie Stetson, Neva Bostic, Josie Moulton, Josie Choiniere, and Grace Phelps, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Head Coach Jack Driscoll and Assistant Coach Beth Choiniere provided always useful pointers and welcome encouragement, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2018 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers Division I championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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