No. R-355. House concurrent resolution honoring the U.S. Navy submarine *Vermont* (SSN 792), its Pre-Commissioning Unit, and its Commissioning Committee.

(H.C.R.293)

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Bartholomew of Hartland, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Brennan of Colchester, Canfield of Fair Haven, Copeland Hanzas of Bradford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Gregoire of Fairfield, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Morgan of Milton, Page of Newport City, Rosenquist of Georgia, Smith of Derby, Stevens of Waterbury, Troiano of Stannard, and Walz of Barre City

Offered by: Senators Ashe, Brock, and MacDonald

<u>Whereas</u>, the U.S. Navy submarine *Vermont* (SSN 792) is under construction at the Electric Boat Company in Groton, Connecticut, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the *Vermont* is the third U.S. Navy warship to be named in honor of the State of Vermont and is the third U.S. nuclear submarine with a Vermont-related name, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on October 20, 2018, the sponsor of the *Vermont*, former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Navy (for Ships) Gloria Lynn Valdez, christened the submarine, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the *Vermont* (SSN 792) Commissioning Committee has been established to provide a positive and lasting relationship with the submarine's Pre-Commissioning Unit and to support the *Vermont*, her crew, and major events associated with the commissioning ceremony, and

Whereas, upon its commissioning, planned for April 18, 2020, the submarine will become the USS *Vermont* (SSN 792) and join the U.S. Navy's fleet as the 19th Virginia class submarine, now therefore be it

## Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the U.S. Navy submarine *Vermont* (SSN 792), the officers and enlisted personnel of its Pre-Commissioning Unit, and its Commissioning Committee, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the *Vermont* and to its Commissioning Committee.