CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

Text of House Concurrent Resolutions

of

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Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Representative or Senator requests floor consideration before the end of Friday's legislative session. Requests for floor consideration must be communicated to the House Clerk's office or the Senate Secretary's office.

Resolutions

H.C.R. 20.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks girls' cross-country team on a historic 2018 championship season

Offered by: Representatives Yantachka of Charlotte, Brumsted of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Macaig of Williston, McCullough of Williston, and Webb of Shelburne

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Ashe, Baruth, Ingram, Pearson, and Sirotkin

<u>Whereas</u>, prior to 2018, the Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU) Redhawks girls' cross-country team had won the last nine consecutive Division I championships, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Redhawks' 2018 championship runs were amazing as they: won a tenth consecutive Division I championship, a fifth New England title, placed second in the NXR Northeast & New York Regional Championships, and appeared at the NXN Nike Cross National in Oregon, and

Whereas, Redhawks Chloe Andrae, Willow Bertrand, Hannah Bohmann, Ella Bohmann, Michaela Buscher, Lila Carleton, Geneva Cote, Celia Cote, Naomi Diamond, Sabina Foerg, Lia Gieg, Rose Gladstone, Emily Glickman, Kate Gruendling, Julia Hillier, Sadie Holmes, Sophia Kehr, Alice Larson, Maggie Madden, Brynn Marshall, Margaret Mathon, Eliza Mclean, Emma McMahan, Lily Mead, Finnegan Mittelstadt, Isabelle Mittelstadt, Jasmine Nails, Cate Noel, Mykala O'Farrell, Teya Oliver, Kylie Pierce, Zoe Prue, Laragh Scharf, Maggie Sides, Chloe Silverman, Olivia St. Peter, Chloe Stidsen, Emma Strack, Lila Taylor, Ella Thompson, Grace Thorburn, Cora Tolan, Anna Van Buren, Tessa Van Buren, Alica Veronneau, Katherine Veronneau, Ella Whitman, and Kate Zoller all ran with pride, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Head Coach Scott Bliss and assistant coaches Corey Coffey, Cari Causey, and Justin Newton were superb mentors, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks girls' cross-country team on a historic 2018 championship season, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Champlain Valley Union High School.

H.C.R. 21.

House concurrent resolution honoring the Kelly Brush Foundation for its contributions to adaptive sports and the safety of ski racing

Offered by: Representative Yantachka of Charlotte

Whereas, when Kelly Brush was growing up in Charlotte, she played a broad array of sports and captained the Green Mountain Valley School's lacrosse and soccer teams, and

<u>Whereas</u>, her special passion for Alpine skiing was not surprising, as her mother had skied on the U.S. Olympic team, and her father skied and later coached the sport at Middlebury College, and

<u>Whereas</u>, as a high school junior and senior, Kelly Brush qualified to race in the U.S. National Championships, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Kelly Brush excelled as a member of the Middlebury College women's Alpine ski team until she struck an unprotected lift tower at the Williams College Carnival in February 2006, a collision that left her permanently paralyzed, and

<u>Whereas</u>, she persevered, continuing her education, becoming a pediatric nurse practitioner, and establishing the Kelly Brush Foundation (the Foundation) that has a dual mission of assisting individuals who have sustained spinal cord injuries and improving the safety of Alpine ski racing, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Foundation has awarded over 750 individual grants for the purchase of adaptive sports equipment such as handcycles, hockey sleds, monoskis, racing chairs, and sport chairs, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in partnership with elite adaptive sports programs, the Foundation has striven to improve athletes' introduction to the use of adaptive sports equipment and these individuals' pathways to independence, and

Whereas, U.S. Ski & Snowboard and the Foundation have developed a collaboration intended to improve skier safety and, annually, the Foundation distributes educational materials to U.S. Ski & Snowboard's Alpine ski clubs, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Foundation's "Inspire!" fundraising events, held in cities around the country, feature adaptive sports athletes and are highly successful, but the requests for the Foundation's support continue to expand, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the Kelly Brush Foundation for its contributions to adaptive sports and the safety of ski racing, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Kelly Brush and to the Kelly Brush Foundation.

H.C.R. 22.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks girls' soccer team on winning its second consecutive Division I championship

Offered by: Representatives Yantachka of Charlotte, Brumsted of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Macaig of Williston, McCullough of Williston, and Webb of Shelburne

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Ashe, Baruth, Ingram, Pearson, and Sirotkin

<u>Whereas</u>, prior to 2018, the illustrious history of the Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU) Division I girls' soccer team featured 17 championship titles, including six during the past seven seasons, and

<u>Whereas</u>, as the defending Division I titleholders, the Redhawks began their 2018 schedule of games optimistic that a repeat performance might occur, and

<u>Whereas</u>, CVU defeated every regular-season opponent, earned the top playoff seed, and secured a berth in the 2018 Division 1 championship game against the third-seeded Colchester Lakers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, this decisive 2018 girls' soccer showdown took place at Burlington's Buck Hard Field, where, after 46 minutes of scoreless play, CVU propelled a header shot into the net, scoring the day's sole goal and repeating as the Division I girls' soccer championship team, and

<u>Whereas</u>, victorious Redhawks Kayla Carroll, Catherine Gilwee, Jess Klein, Sydney Jimmo, Lilly Cazayoux, Dylan Walker, Madi Hubbard, Avery Sleeper, Olivia Morton, Ella Woodruff, Quinn Boardman, Elizah Jacobs, Sara Kelley, Edie Wright, Maggie Gannon, Josie Pecor, Karolina Sienko, Maryn Askew, Gillian Magnier, Shelby Statton, and Olivia Zubarik were thrilled, and

Whereas, Head Coach Stan Williams and Assistant Coach Chris Smith inspired the Redhawks to maximize their soccer skills, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks girls' soccer team on winning its second consecutive Division I championship, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Champlain Valley Union High School.

H.C.R. 23.

House concurrent resolution designating Wednesday, January 30, 2019 as Mental Health Advocacy Day at the State House

Offered by: Committee on Health Care

<u>Whereas</u>, the introductory principle declared in the Constitution of the World Health Organization states that "health is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being," and

Whereas, more than two decades ago, the General Assembly recognized this fundamental health care principle with the enactment of 1997 Acts and Resolves No. 25, Sec. 2, codified as 8 V.S.A. § 4089b, establishing mental health treatment parity as the law in Vermont, and

Whereas, all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights, and

Whereas, everyone has the right to life, liberty, and security of person, to live as independently as practicable, and to be included in the community, and

<u>Whereas</u>, all Vermonters are entitled to receive the highest attainable quality of health care, including mental health care, without discrimination, and

<u>Whereas</u>, mental health care must be provided in a manner that does not result in any form of stigma, prejudice, violence, social exclusion, segregation, or unnecessary institutionalization, and

<u>Whereas</u>, treatment practices in a mental health context must respect the autonomy, dignity, personal preferences, and will of the individual, not constitute or lead to violations and abuses of human rights or fundamental freedoms, and not result in any form of cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment, and

<u>Whereas</u>, mental health support and related community services should integrate a human rights perspective in order to avoid harm to any persons availing themselves of these services, and

<u>Whereas</u>, today, January 30, 2019, individuals are visiting the State House, seeking to remind the General Assembly of the fundamental importance of providing Vermonters with mental health care that equals in every respect the

quality of care provided to persons with any other health conditions, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates January 30, 2019 as Mental Health Advocacy Day at the State House, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the mental health advocacy organizations present in the State House today.

H.C.R. 24.

House concurrent resolution honoring Aaron Adler for his exemplary public service as an attorney in Vermont State government

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, throughout his legal career, Aaron Adler has practiced law conscientiously, ethically, skillfully, and free from personal bias, and

Whereas, Aaron Adler earned an undergraduate degree in history, summa cum laude, from Brandeis University and a juris doctorate degree from Yale Law School, and

<u>Whereas</u>, he practiced environmental law in a California law firm before entering a career in public service in Vermont, where he was employed as an Associate General Counsel at the former Environmental Board and, subsequently, as a Special Counsel at the Department of Public Service, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 2000, as a member of the State team that created Efficiency Vermont, Aaron Adler was a recipient of the Governor's Award for Outstanding Performance, and

<u>Whereas</u>, his expertise in the legal intricacies of Act 250 as well as on diverse aspects of environmental and energy policies provided a solid foundation for his serving as the Deputy General Counsel at the Agency of Natural Resources, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Aaron Adler long admired the role of legislative counsel and appreciated the challenges attorneys encounter when working for all political parties and on multiple sides of an issue, and

Whereas, in 2008, the Office of Legislative Council needed a new attorney specializing in energy, environmental, and land use issues, and

Whereas, Aaron Adler's relevant legal background, sincere interest in Legislative Branch employment, and experience chairing the Brookfield Planning Commission all contributed to his being hired, and

<u>Whereas</u>, he has won the respect of the members of the General Assembly for his work on the, at times, contentious topics of Act 250's future, net metering, and energy siting, especially of proposed wind towers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Aaron Adler has also served admirably in the demanding role of counsel to the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, and

Whereas, after a decade as a respected General Assembly lawyer, Aaron Adler has concluded three decades of superb State service, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Aaron Adler for his exemplary public service as an attorney in Vermont State government and extends best wishes to him in his future endeavors, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 25.

House concurrent resolution designating January 25, 2019 as Vermont Pharmacists Day at the State House

Offered by: Representative Patt of Worcester

Whereas, the health of our citizens makes Vermont a great place to live, and

Whereas, despite access to healthcare, Vermonters still struggle with the high cost of insurance, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Vermont seeks innovative health reforms to allow its citizenry to remain healthy and insurance to remain affordable, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the State anticipates a growing need for midlevel healthcare providers, and pharmacists remain the most accessible healthcare providers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the current entry-level doctoral degree required to qualify as a licensed Vermont pharmacist far exceeds the educational requirements of current midlevel providers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, a Department of Vermont Health Access pilot project documented that when community pharmacists are authorized to practice as midlevel providers they can improve blood sugars and help lower both blood pressure and cholesterol levels, and

<u>Whereas</u>, 21st-century pharmacists are trained and prepared to keep Vermont one of the healthiest states in the nation, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates January 25, 2019 as Vermont Pharmacists Day at the State House, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Pharmacists Association.

H.C.R. 26.

House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative and Groton Town Moderator Mary E. Grant for her exemplary career in community and public service

Offered by: Representatives Conquest of Newbury, Noyes of Wolcott, Beck of St. Johnsbury, and Campbell of St. Johnsbury

Offered by: Senators Kitchel, Benning, Rodgers, Starr, and Westman

Whereas, Mary Grant became a resident of Groton at 13 years of age, graduated from Bradford Academy, and earned a paralegal certificate at Vermont College, and

<u>Whereas</u>, she worked at the Central Vermont Community Action Council, serving as the organization's community service director, and was an innovative leader in developing housing and health care initiatives, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Mary Grant interrupted her role at the Central Vermont Community Action Council to serve as executive director of the Bennington–Rutland Opportunity Council, and

<u>Whereas</u>, at Rural Community Transportation, Inc. (RCT), Mary Grant served as the assistant director beginning in 1999, as the executive director starting in 2003, and for five years as a board member, and

Whereas, under her leadership, RCT expanded its service area to cover communities in Caledonia, Essex, Lamoille, and Orleans Counties, and impressively, its combined trips in volunteers' vehicles, wheelchair accessible vans, and public shuttle and commuter buses were estimated to number three million and totaled nearly 60 million road miles, and

<u>Whereas</u>, RCT rides provide transportation to senior meal sites, for shopping, medical services, and other life-sustaining activities, and

Whereas, the now spacious 10,000-square-foot RCT headquarters in Lyndonville is supplemented with satellite offices in Morrisville and Newport, and Mary Grant also helped RCT increase its pool of drivers, fleets of wheelchair accessible vans, and bus routes, and

Whereas, among numerous other community leadership roles, Mary Grant served the town of Groton as a selectboard member, town auditor, and town moderator, represented her municipality and nearby towns in the General Assembly, and held the offices of secretary and treasurer at the Vermont Public Transit Association, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in January 2019, Mary E. Grant concluded her two decades of outstanding leadership at RCT and will be missed, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Representative and Groton Town Moderator Mary E. Grant for her exemplary career in community and public service, and be it further <u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mary Grant.

H.C.R. 27.

House concurrent resolution honoring Forrest B. Randall of Springfield for his leadership in solid waste management governance

Offered by: Representatives Forguites of Springfield, Emmons of Springfield, and Bock of Chester

Whereas, Forrest Randall has dedicated considerable time and effort representing Springfield in regional solid waste management organizations, and

<u>Whereas</u>, for 21 years, he served as the town's representative to the New Hampshire–Vermont Solid Waste Project (the Project), and

<u>Whereas</u>, from 2000 until 2007, Forrest Randall was representative to the Project, which included the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District of New Hampshire, and

<u>Whereas</u>, at the Southern Windsor/Windham Counties Solid Waste Management District he served as the vice chair of the board of supervisors during 2006 and 2007, and in 2008 he assumed the position of chair, a role he continued serving thoughtfully and wisely until the present, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Forrest Randall's perspective on solid waste management issues has consistently been premised on the fundamental principle that the best interests of the town of Springfield are paramount, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the citizens of Springfield recognize the outstanding leadership he has provided to southern Vermont and neighboring New Hampshire communities on matters related to solid waste management, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Springfield Selectboard has adopted a Proclamation of Appreciation commending Forrest Randall for his dedicated public service representing Springfield at the Southern Windsor/Windham Counties Solid Waste Management District and chairing the organization's board of directors, and similar legislative recognition is in order, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Forrest B. Randall for his leadership in solid waste management governance, and be it further

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