

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**ADDENDUM**

**TO THE**

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Text of House Concurrent  
Resolutions**

**of**

**January 27, 2022**

## **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. 88.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2021 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers Division I boys' cross-country championship team

Offered by: Representatives Beck of St. Johnsbury, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Feltus of Lyndon, Martel of Waterford, Pearl of Danville, and Seymour of Sutton

Offered by: Senators Kitchel and Benning

Whereas, despite their fifth-place ranking at the 2021 Division I championship cross-country race, the five top Hilltopper runners concluded their runs tied for the lead, at 72 points, with BFA-St Albans, and

Whereas, because the sixth Hilltopper outpaced the sixth BFA competitor, St. Johnsbury was awarded its first cross-country crown in 63 years, and

Whereas, Head Coach Chip Langmaid and Assistant Coach Kevin Cattrell were thrilled with the unexpected victory at Thetford by Hilltoppers Evan Thornton-Sherman, Hale Boyden, Andrew Thornton-Sherman, Nathan Lenzini, Carson Eames, Nathaniel Bernier, and Ryan Callaghan, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2021 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers Division I boys' cross-country championship team, and be it further

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

#### **H.C.R. 89.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltopper Evan Thornton-Sherman on winning the 2021 individual boys' Division I cross-country running championship

Offered by: Representatives Beck of St. Johnsbury, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Feltus of Lyndon, Martel of Waterford, Pearl of Danville, and Seymour of Sutton

Offered by: Senators Kitchel and Benning

Whereas, Evan Thornton-Sherman ran undefeated in Vermont cross-country competition in 2021, and, to no one's surprise, he led the field at the Division I championship in Thetford, and

Whereas, his pace-setting time of 16:33 inspired his St. Johnsbury Academy teammates to maximize their own performances as the Hilltoppers brought home the Division I team title, and

Whereas, Evan Thornton-Sherman's victory was the first individual St. Johnsbury cross-country running championship since 2009 and the first in boys' competition since 2007, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltopper Evan Thornton-Sherman on winning the 2021 individual boys' Division I cross-country championship, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Evan Thornton-Sherman.

#### **H.C.R. 90.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex High School Hornets 2021 Division I championship varsity football team

Offered by: Representatives Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex, Garofano of Essex, Houghton of Essex, and Vyhovsky of Essex

Whereas, the fourth-seeded Essex Hornets and the third-seeded Champlain Valley Union Redhawks met for the Division I championship game, and

Whereas, in a close and exciting contest, in snowy Rutland, the Hornets emerged victorious, securing a 21–19 victory and the Division I title, and

Whereas, Hornets Brockway Hoffman, Tanner Robbins, Christian Stygles, Charlie Bowen, Benjamin Serrantonio, Noah Guignet, Thomas Czpicke, Walker Root, Malakai Valgean, Jacob Reyome, Mason Griffiths, Carter Crete, Alexander Zipko, Joshua Brown, Oliver Orvis, Elliott Riggen, Jonathan Tupaj,

Colby Garrison, Colin Egan, Ethan Wagner, Christopher Folsom, Ryan Roberge, Zavier Fuller, Jonathan Hayward, Kameron Cyr, Max Spaeder, Kevin Dekalb, Shawn Chadwick, Hunter Boulet, Michael Brink, Caleb Hill, Sebastian Coppola, Peter Armata, Thomas Price, Kalell Picard, and Dashont Hoyt were outstanding, and

Whereas, Head Coach Marty Richards, assistant coaches Norm Lozier, Ethan Curtis, Ben Reed, Tim Root, Rich Lowrey, Manny Fletcher, and Mark Bombard, and student manager Abby Cote were proud of the team, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Essex High School Hornets 2021 Division I championship varsity football team, and be it further

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

### **H.C.R. 91.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Iris Hsiang on winning the 2021 Rights & Democracy Human Rights Award for Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Vyhovsky of Essex, Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex, Garofano of Essex, and Houghton of Essex

Whereas, since serving as a legislative page, Iris Hsiang, an Essex High School honors student, has demonstrated political initiative, and her subsequent legislative internships sharpened her public advocacy skills, and

Whereas, Iris Hsiang was an organizer of the Youth Climate Congress and lobbied for the adoption of the Global Warming Solutions Act, and

Whereas, she is the student member of the Essex-Westford School Board, a coleader of the Essex High School Social Justice Union, a student government committee chair, and the leading advocate for an Essex-Westford School District equity plan, and

Whereas, in recognition of her exemplary leadership in Essex to expand students' rights, Iris Hsiang is the Rights & Democracy 2021 Human Rights Award Vermont recipient, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Iris Hsiang on winning the 2021 Rights & Democracy Human Rights Award for Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Iris Hsiang.

### **H.C.R. 92.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex High School Hornets 2021 Division I championship boys' varsity soccer team

Offered by: Representatives Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex, Garofano of Essex, Houghton of Essex, and Vyhovsky of Essex

Whereas, top-seeded Essex faced second-seeded South Burlington in an exciting Division I championship game played at Buck Hard Field, and

Whereas, although the score was tied until the last minute, a final Hornet goal clinched a 2–1 Essex victory and the 2021 Division I crown, and

Whereas, the skilled Hornets were Anthony Rizvanov, Andrew Seavers, Cooper Biederbeck, Matthew Correia, Shankha Mitra, Alden Leahey, Rowan Jensen, Elvis Salkic, Colby Kirsch, Christopher Goss, Omar Daoudi, Bartlett Hemingway, Alexander Meek, Joel Marquardt, Cornelius Peterson, Josh Allaire, Eli Robinson, Aiden Nick, Connor Nick, Matteo Paganini, Elijah Bostwick, Lorenzo D'Ambrosio, Gill Stawinski, and Kaito Esselstrom, and

Whereas, Head Coach Jake Orr, assistant coaches Keegan Bliss, Sam Martin, and Dominic Minadeo, and student manager Kaito Esselstrom were thrilled, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Essex High School Hornets 2021 Division I championship boys' varsity soccer team, and be it further

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

### **H.C.R. 93.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2021 Thetford Academy Panthers Division III girls' cross-country championship team

Offered by: Representatives Masland of Thetford and Briglin of Thetford

Whereas, the runners on the Thetford Panthers girls' cross-country team were strong and focused and rapidly completed the Dan Grossman Woods Trail at the 2021 championship meet, and

Whereas, a combination of competing on their home grounds and an autumn of great training enabled Thetford Academy to place three of its entrants in the top 10 finishers, including one in second place, and to clinch the Division III crown, defeating second place Bellows Falls 27-46, and

Whereas, the full Panther team consisting of Mary Bosco, Charlize Brown, Ariana Cooney, Madelyn Durkee, Abby Egner, Ava Hayden, Anne Hesser, Cecilia Luce, Charlotte Reimanis, and Jada Rich, team manager Maddy Thaxton, and coaches Emily Silver and Joe Deffner were each outstanding, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2021 Thetford Academy Panthers Division III girls' cross-country championship team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Thetford Academy.

#### **H.C.R. 94.**

House concurrent resolution in memory of Robert D. Bates

Offered by: Representatives Vyhovsky of Essex, Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex, Garofano of Essex, and Houghton of Essex

Whereas, Bob Bates, a long-respected counselor at Essex High School, graduated from the University of Vermont and attended graduate school at Ohio University, and

Whereas, his career as a secondary school counselor began at Brattleboro High School, and continued at Essex High School, and after concluding his school counseling role, he remained a public education advocate, and

Whereas, outside of his educational activities, Bob Bates was a devoted lay minister of the Covenant Community Church in Essex, and

Whereas, among his other pursuits were performing classical and church music, volunteering for the local food bank, attending UVM basketball games, rooting for the Red Sox, and enjoying family time, and

Whereas, Bob Bates died on December 10, 2021, and his survivors include his wife Joan and his children and grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Robert D. Bates, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of the family of Bob Bates.

### **H.C.R. 95.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2021 Essex High School Hornets State championship girls' varsity volleyball team

Offered by: Representatives Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex, Garofano of Essex, Houghton of Essex, and Vyhovsky of Essex

Whereas, at the 2021 girls' varsity volleyball state championship playoff in South Burlington, the top-seeded Essex Hornets faced the second-seeded and defending champions, Champlain Valley Union High School Redhawks, and

Whereas, the Hornets won the first set 25–14, and, despite being outscored in the second set, prevailed in the third and fourth sets with identical scores of 25–17, thus winning their third championship crown in the past five years, and

Whereas, Hornet players Raina Miller, Gabrielle Spagnuolo-Chawla, Carmela Symula, Paige Winter, Tess Adams, Bianca Williams, Anna Towne, Lily Boutin, Jazmin Munson, Isabel Nerad, Jocelyn Ray, Shakeira Konare, Celine Yao, and Emo Aboukhalil were all outstanding, and

Whereas, Head Coach Jen Liguori was an athletic mentor, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2021 Essex High School State championship girls' varsity volleyball team, and be it further

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