No. R-62. House concurrent resolution congratulating Tillie Walden of Norwich on her selection as the fifth Vermont Cartoonist Laureate.

(H.C.R.46)

Offered by: Representatives Holcombe of Norwich and Masland of Thetford

Offered by: Senators Clarkson, McCormack, and White

<u>Whereas</u>, since 2011, the Center for Cartoon Studies in White River Junction has celebrated the foremost Vermont practitioners of this art form with a three-year term designation as Vermont Cartoonist Laureate, and prior honorees were James Kochalka, Ed Koren, Alison Bechdel, and Richard Veitch, and

Whereas, the fifth and newest recipient of this prestigious title is Tillie Walden of Norwich, a 2016 graduate of the Center for Cartoon Studies, and now one of its faculty members, and

Whereas, although only in her 20s, Tillie Walden is already a prolific cartoonist and the author-illustrator of *The End of Summer*, *I Love This Part*, *A City Inside*, *Spinning*, *On a Sunbeam*, *Are You Listening?*, *Alone in Space*, *Sketchbook 2017–2020*, *Creativity*, and *Clementine* (Book One and Book Two), and she is the co-author with Emma Hunsinger of *My Parents Won't Stop Talking!*, and the illustrator of Tegan and Sara Quin's *Junior High*, and

Whereas, among her numerous prizes are two Eisner Awards (Best Reality-Based Book in 2018, and Best Graphic Album–New Material in 2020), two Ignatz Awards (Outstanding Artist, and Promising New Talent, both in 2016), a Broken Frontier Award in 2016, and a Los Angeles Times Book Award in 2018, and

Whereas, Tillie Walden will proudly continue the tradition of the Vermont Cartoonist Laureate's promotion of cartooning and the ever-broadening application of this colorful illustrative medium, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Tillie Walden of Norwich on her selection as the fifth Vermont Cartoonist Laureate, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Tillie Walden and to the Center for Cartoon Studies.