

No. R-286. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2023 North Country Union High School Falcons Division II championship football team.

(H.C.R.220)

Offered by: Representatives Page of Newport City, Smith of Derby, Higley of Lowell, Labor of Morgan, Marcotte of Coventry, and Templeman of Brownington

Offered by: Senators Ingalls and Starr

Whereas, on a glorious Veterans Day in Rutland, the second-seeded North Country Falcons and the fourth-ranked Colchester Lakers met to determine ownership of the 2023 Division II football crown, and

Whereas, both teams' equally polished defensive prowess was on display during the scoreless first period, and, slightly more than four minutes into the second quarter, the Falcons scored the first touchdown, and

Whereas, although the Lakers opened the third period scoring and creating an early second half 7–6 lead, by early in the fourth quarter, the excited crowd was viewing the tied-at-14—all squads battling for gridiron supremacy, and

Whereas, with merely two minutes remaining, the Falcons ended the suspense with a touchdown and extra point to seal North Country's 21–14 victory and the school's first divisional football championship in 26 years, and

Whereas, the celebrating Falcons were Justin Young, Dakota Clark, Cooper Wheeler, Wyatt Descheneau, Spencer Marquette, Kam Huntington, Watson Laffoon, Jason Pelletier, Aspen Guyette, Hayden Boivin, Natasha Godfrey, Joe Leblanc, Koyle Dennis, Caleb LeMay, Ryder Descheneau, Jacob Gregoire, Jeremy Glodgett, Gabe Gardner, Trevor Sanville, Derek Guillette, Zander Johansson, Brent Chitambar, Evan Ballinger, Landon Roberts, Colton Lacasse, Jacob Ashman, Dylan Martin, Gage Beaumont, Landyn Machado, Wyatt Perron, Armand Capron, Mark Guebara, and Alex Lancaster, and

Whereas, Head Coach Lonnie Wade; assistant coaches John Guebara, Ethan Hill, Adam Thurston, Bud Prue, and Tello Young; and team manager Aaliyah Morse were each thrilled, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2023 North Country Union High School Falcons Division II championship football team, and be it further

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