

**No. R-9. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2024 Richford Junior-Senior High School Division IV championship girls' soccer team.**

(H.C.R.4)

Offered by Representatives Hango of Berkshire, Laroche of Franklin, Demar of Enosburgh, Gregoire of Fairfield, and Walker of Swanton

Offered by Senators Brock and Norris

*Whereas*, the 11th-seeded varsity athletic team in an annual interscholastic playoff series seldom anticipates a championship game berth, but in the 2024 Division IV girls' soccer competition, that was the surprising result for the Richford Rockets, who demonstrated their true talent when they faced the top-ranked and undefeated West Rutland Golden Horde in an exciting season finale at Rutland High School's field, and

*Whereas*, thrilled to have astounded their supporters, the Rockets aimed to prove their journey to this special game would be happily memorable, and

*Whereas*, despite trailing 2–0 at the mid-game break, the Rockets played superbly during the second half; first, scoring less than two minutes after play resumed; then, at the midpoint of the concluding half; and finally, with 13:57 remaining of regulation time, all the while as the Richford defense prevented West Rutland from increasing its side of the score, and

*Whereas*, the Rockets, who triumphantly returned home with Richford's first-ever girls' soccer title, were Vanessa Tessier, Teddy Roberts, Keeley Long, Mikayla Chagnon, Adi Chagnon, Kyrielle Deuso, Audrey Swanson, Jazmine Cunningham, Sayge Bohannon, Katelyn Doe, Brooklynn Letourneau, Alex Percy, Lucia Aguila-Collantes Prieto, Alba Castel Delgado, and Kayliese McCray, and

*Whereas*, Head Coach Liza Bordo, assistant coaches Randi Chagnon and Jennie Hull, and Team Manager Megan Dussault were impressed with the Rockets' amazing 3–2 championship victory, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2024 Richford Junior-Senior High School Division IV championship girls' soccer team, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Richford Junior-Senior High School.