

**No. R-114. House concurrent resolution congratulating Tyler Riggs of Fletcher on the Vermont Forest Products Association naming him Vermont's Outstanding Sawmill Operator 2024.**

(H.C.R.94)

Offered by Representatives Lipsky of Stowe, Boyden of Cambridge, Gregoire of Fairfield, Bailey of Hyde Park, Bishop of Colchester, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Galfetti of Barre Town, Greer of Bennington, Hango of Berkshire, Harple of Glover, Kascenska of Burke, Kleppner of Burlington, LaMont of Morristown, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Nelson of Derby, North of Ferrisburgh, O'Brien of Tunbridge, Priestley of Bradford, Southworth of Walden, Surprenant of Barnard, Tagliavia of Corinth, Waters Evans of Charlotte, White of Waitsfield, White of Bethel, and Winter of Ludlow

*Whereas*, an outstanding example of an enterprising and innovative Vermont sawmill owner is Tyler (Tucker) Riggs, the proprietor of LSF Forest Products, LLC (LSF) in Jeffersonville, a company that his father established in 2003, and

*Whereas*, soon after the company's establishment, Tucker Riggs returned home to Vermont to develop this new business with his father, and LSF has evolved into a respected community-focused sawmill, and

*Whereas*, Tucker Riggs has garnered many compliments from employees, colleagues, and loyal customers and is genuinely well liked, and

*Whereas*, he has been described as thoughtful, always seeking to improve the mill's workflow, and extremely attentive to safety, and

*Whereas*, community relations are a high priority for Tucker Riggs, and LSF has hosted State officials, industry peer groups, school groups of all ages, and environmental organizations, and

*Whereas*, seeking to enhance LSF's operations and improve his business acumen, Tucker Riggs enrolled in the University of Vermont Extension's Forest Business program, and as a result of the company's success, LSF is doubling its annual production capacity to approximately one million board feet per year, and the company has received a Vermont Working Lands Enterprise Initiative Supply Chain Impact Grant to finance the project, and

*Whereas*, in recognition of his laudable industry leadership, the Vermont Forest Products Association chose Tucker Riggs as Vermont's Outstanding Sawmill Operator 2024, *now therefore be it*

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

That the General Assembly congratulates Tyler Riggs of Fletcher on the Vermont Forest Products Association naming him Vermont's Outstanding Sawmill Operator 2024, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Tucker Riggs.