

No. R-122. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2025 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship girls' ice hockey team.

(H.C.R.98)

Offered by Representatives Dodge of Essex, Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex Junction, Garofano of Essex, Houghton of Essex Junction, and Steady of Milton

Offered by Senators Gulick and Vyhovsky

Whereas, the laurels of Hornets' girls' ice hockey are plentiful, and 2025 extended this history of amazing successes, and

Whereas, the fourth-ranked Hornets faced off against the second-seeded BFA-St. Albans Comets, in a game that marked an extraordinary interscholastic contest on the Gutterson Fieldhouse ice, and

Whereas, the Hornets assumed the lead early, and by the first period's conclusion, Essex held a 3–0 lead that was the foundation for a convincing 5–1 triumph, and

Whereas, aside from the great victory, Essex players achieved special individual records for a Division I girls' ice hockey championship game, with one Hornet scoring only the third hat trick in the series' history and another tallying only the second four-goal contest, and

Whereas, these amazing ice hockey players were Morgan Hughart, Eleanor Hutton, Clover Bowker, Aliyah Rassel, Jemma Brinker, Zuzu Rooney, Leah Labombard, Taylor Senecal, Abigail Desilets, Lucia Minadeo, Emily Stempek, Leah Miller, Mackenzie O'Connell, Emma Airolti, Charlotte Abajian, Alexis Moody, Lucille Mehaffey, Rowan MacAndrews, Calleigh Bruyns, Isabella Boutin, Catherine McDonough, Kathryn Cavalier, and Sophie Krauss, and

Whereas, Head Coach Gerald Gernander; assistant coaches Tracy Muzerall, Casey Bezamat, and Rich Celia; and student managers Jillian Goulette, Reese Holcomb, and Lauren Soulia were all major contributors to the Hornets' 10th Division I crown, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2025 Essex High School Hornets Division I championship girls' ice hockey team, *and be it further*

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