

No. R-271. House concurrent resolution congratulating the athletes representing Vermont at the 2025 National Senior Games and designating March 18, 2026, as Vermont Senior Games Day at the State House.

(H.C.R.224)

Offered by Representative Ode of Burlington

Whereas, annually, the Vermont Senior Games Association (VSGA) organizes the Vermont Senior Games, a qualifying event for the biennial National Senior Games, which, in 2025, were held in Des Moines, Iowa, and

Whereas, in 2025, 50 Vermont athletes participated in the National Senior Games and won 22 gold medals, 8 silver medals, 13 bronze medals, and 36 ribbons for fourth through eighth place, and

Whereas, the athletically dedicated Vermonters who competed at the 2025 National Senior Games were Lee Ann Banks, Dennis Bergeron, Rose Bergeron, Kristen Beske, Jeanne Blackmore, John Bolton, Dennis Casey, David Chesley, Margaret Clark, Brian Conchieri, Robert Cseh, David DeBoy, Eugene Demidenko, Valentina Demidenko, Damon Fitch, Jim Flint, Margaret Gibson, Judy Gover, Matt Guild, Katherine Hayward, Thomas Hogeboom, Don Kjelleren, Mary Leugers, Victoria Luksch, Christine Maloney, Janet Mara, Elizabeth McCarthy, Florence Meiler, Marc Meredyth, Tocher Mitchell, Bob Murphy, Kevin Plette, Jenny Prince, Susan Rand, Tom Schicker, Carolyn Siccama, Pam Sills, Donna Smyers, Andrew Sparta, Sarah Stacread-Swim, Andre Strum, James Taggart, John Tashiro, John Valentine, Sandra Wall, Stan Wilbur, Charlie Windisch. and Michael Woodfield, and

Whereas, today, March 18, 2026, during National Senior Games Week, representatives of the VSGA and the Vermont Governor's Council on Physical Fitness are present at the State House to inform legislators of the important role that physical fitness plays in the lives of everyone regardless of age, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Vermont athletes representing Vermont at the 2025 National Senior Games and designates March 18, 2026, as Vermont Senior Games Day at the State House, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the VSGA and the Vermont Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sport.