

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

**Text of House Concurrent
Resolutions**

of

April 9, 2026

Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rules 16a -16d

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration in the member's chamber prior to adjournment of the next legislative day. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Senate Secretary's Office or the House Clerk's Office, as applicable.

H.C.R. 247

Offered by Representatives Bailey of Hyde Park and Noyes of Wolcott

Offered by Senator Westman

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative and Hyde Park Selectboard Chair Kenneth A. Harvey

Whereas, a lifelong Hyde Park resident, Ken Harvey graduated from Lamoille Union High School and Champlain College, and

Whereas, his successful business career commenced at 20 years of age when he established Ken's Mobil in Morrisville, and he subsequently opened additional gas stations in Johnson and Montpelier, and his ventures expanded to include mobile home parks, an oil company, a plumbing and heating establishment, a campground, a gravel pit, and a storage unit facility, and

Whereas, in 1981, Ken Harvey turned his attention to serving the citizens of Hyde Park, winning a seat on the Hyde Park selectboard, diligently working for many years on this panel's oversight of municipal government, and his insightful leadership would result in election as the selectboard chair, and

Whereas, in 1985, Ken Harvey was appointed as Hyde Park road commissioner, a responsibility he exercised attentively and effectively, and

Whereas, the community appreciated the excellence of his local government involvement, and, in 1983, his neighbors elected Ken Harvey to represent them in the House of Representatives, in which he served for five consecutive terms; notwithstanding the House's partisan alignment, the admiration of his colleagues combined with a first-hand knowledge of local road management led to his appointment as chair of the House Committee on Transportation; and his fellow legislators selected him to serve on the board of the Vermont State Colleges, and

Whereas, as a founding member of the Hyde Park Recreation Committee, Ken Harvey played a key role in the development of the town's new athletic facility; he served on the Lamoille County Sheriff's Advisory Board; and was a member of local fraternal organizations, and

Whereas, on February 26, 2026, Ken Harvey died at 74 years of age, leaving the love of his life, Debbie Slayton; an extended family; and many friends with fond memories, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its sincere condolences to the family of former Representative and Hyde Park Selectboard Chair Kenneth A. Harvey, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Debbie Slayton and the Hyde Park Town Clerk.

H.C.R. 248

Offered by Representative Southworth of Walden

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2026 Hazen Union High School Wildcats Division III championship boys' basketball team

Whereas, the Hazen boys' basketball team has established an enviable record on the court, appearing in each of the most recent five championship games at the Barre Auditorium, but despite great efforts, it had not brought home the title in 2023, 2024, or 2025, so in 2026, the Wildcats were determined to end the season triumphantly, and

Whereas, in the decisive contest, the second-seeded Wildcats were paired against the top-ranked Randolph Galloping Ghosts, challenging the Hazen hoopsters to prove themselves worthy of this athletic honor, and

Whereas, although the Galloping Ghosts dominated early on, building a 28–26 halftime lead, the Wildcats signaled their readiness to surge ahead, closing the half with an 8–2 scoring advantage, and once the teams resumed play in the third quarter, Hazen ignited a powerful offensive charge, finishing the contest with a convincing 66–49 victory, delighting their exuberant fans, and

Whereas, the pleased Wildcats (20–4) were Jeter Demers, Kobe Smith, Noah Foster, Jameson Lamarre, Talon Michaud, Ethan Gann, Sullivan Laflam, Morgan Michaud, Dawson Michaud, Lincoln Hill, Lucian Jurkiewicz, and Chayse Newell, and

Whereas, Head Coach Aaron Hill and assistant coaches Adam Gann, Travis Hill, Kevin Doyon, Letty Hill, and Evans Bouchard motivated the Wildcats to perform their best, and team managers Blair Demers and Zander Dimick were always supportive of their classmates, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2026 Hazen Union High School Wildcats Division III championship boys' basketball team, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 249

Offered by Representative Southworth of Walden

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2026 Hazen Union Lady Cats Division III championship girls' basketball team

Whereas, the excitement of playoff competition was maximized at the 2026 Division III girls' basketball championship game at the Barre Auditorium, in which top-seeded Hazen Union faced second-ranked Windsor for the third consecutive year, the Lady Cats having won in 2024 and the Yellow Jackets in 2025, and

Whereas, the Lady Cats' switch this season to the more challenging Capital Division improved the team's performance, and

Whereas, two more evenly matched contenders were unimaginable, as Hazen exited the court at half-time with a narrow 23–21 lead, but over the balance of the game, including the overtime period required to determine a winner, the lead changed an incredible 13 times, and the Lady Cats evened the score at 48–all with under five seconds remaining in regulation play, and

Whereas, the final outcome was determined in an equally dramatic fashion, when a Hazen player succeeded on two foul shots with only 2.4 seconds remaining in overtime, resulting in a hard-won and undeniably satisfying 55–53 win, and

Whereas, the thrilled and relieved Lady Cats were Isabelle Gouin, Ari Nichols, Taylor Thompson, Marina Smith, Eloise Foster, Autumn Dailey, Mya Lumsden, Ella Renaud, Sadie Gann, Julia des Groseilliers, Kelsie Rivard, Cassidy Gann, and Kennidee Gouin, and

Whereas, Head Coach Randy Lumsden and assistant coaches Alison Blaney and Sue Rivard expertly guided the Lady Cats, and team managers Allie Foster, Ivy Demers, and Estella Foster contributed to the team's great 2025–2026 season, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2026 Hazen Union Lady Cats Division III championship girls' basketball team, *and be it further*

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

H.C.R. 250

Offered by Representatives Stevens of Waterbury, Bluemle of Burlington, Burrows of West Windsor, Krasnow of South Burlington, Burkhardt of South Burlington, LaLonde of South Burlington, Minier of South Burlington, and Nugent of South Burlington

Offered by Senator Chittenden

House concurrent resolution honoring the extraordinary life and artistic achievements of former Representative John Killacky of South Burlington

Whereas, John Killacky, the much-honored artistic administrator and commentator; filmmaker; visual artist; former legislator; gay activist; and, perhaps most importantly, dancer and athlete, who became a paraplegic due to a surgical mishap, has persevered and maximized life's opportunities, and

Whereas, his innovative and stellar leadership as an artistic administrator began as a program officer at the Pew Charitable Trusts; continued as the performing arts curator at the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota; and proceeded west to California, where he served as the executive director of the Yerba Buena Center for the Arts in San Francisco and later served as the program director of the San Francisco Foundation, one of the nation's largest community foundations, and

Whereas, John Killacky; his husband, Larry Connolly; and John's beloved Shetland pony, Pacific Raindrop, next headed east to Vermont, where he assumed a new challenge as the executive director of Burlington's Flynn Center for the Performing Arts (2010–2018), and his abundant creativity fostered programs for young students, promoting inclusivity, artistic excitement, and excellence while not exceeding budgetary limitations, and

Whereas, for two terms (2019–2022), John Killacky represented his South Burlington neighbors in the General Assembly, serving on the House Committee on General and Housing and advocating for inclusivity, environmental protection, and a more just society, and

Whereas, recently, his 2025 film *Corpus*, "a meditative reflection of our bodies that have been demonized, weaponized, [and] politicized," in

conjunction with a floor covering and wall-hanging shroud were featured in the recent Burlington City Arts Center exhibit, *Do We Say Goodbye? Grief, Loss, and Mourning*; the two visual pieces and another film, *Stillpoint*, have been exhibited in galleries in Philadelphia and West Virginia; his film on the Fluxus art movement was shown at England's De Montfort University's Leicester Gallery; three of his recent films will be televised on Vermont Public and Maine Public; and he is eagerly anticipating a residency to sculpt at the Vermont Studio Center in Johnson, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the extraordinary life and artistic achievements of former Representative John Killacky of South Burlington, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to John Killacky.

H.C.R. 251

Offered by Representatives Boyden of Cambridge, Bailey of Hyde Park, Higley of Lowell, Marcotte of Coventry, and Noyes of Wolcott

Offered by Senator Westman

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2026 Lamoille Union High School Lancers Division II championship boys' basketball team

Whereas, the second-ranked Lamoille Lancers and the top-seeded Hartford Hurricanes tipped off for the Division II title at the Barre Auditorium, a match of two teams hungry for a championship, which Hartford had not won since 1929, and although the former Lamoille Academy won the Division IV boys' basketball championship in 1963, Lamoille Union High School had, prior to 2026, never clinched this athletics laurel, and

Whereas, breaking Hartford's season-long undefeated streak and defeating the team that had halted Lamoille's postseason aspirations in the quarter-final round in both 2024 and 2025 were strong incentives for the Lancers boys, and

Whereas, a game with greater excitement was not imaginable, as Lamoille secured a slim 28–27 halftime lead and the teams were tied at 40—all at the fourth quarter's start, and, with approximately two and a half minutes of regulation play remaining, the Lancers pulled ahead 50–49, and the tension-packed final moments concluded with a 56–53 Lancers upset victory, and

Whereas, the ecstatic Lancers (19–4) were Brayden LaFountain, Graesyn Stridsberg, Griffin Pinault, Jeremy Demers, Ryan Clark, Colby Hall,

Isaac Schroeder, Caleb Wells, Ryan Germaine, James Wallace, Jackson Hoag, and Nicholas Bothfeld, and

Whereas, Head Coach Hosea Crittenden, assistant coaches Rick Sansom and Evan Slayton, athletic trainer Vin Faraci, and student managers Payton Skiffington and Kyrsten Whitney all savored this historic moment for Lancers boys' basketball, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2026 Lamoille Union High School Lancers Division II championship boys' basketball team, *and be it further*

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