## State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

## Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 119

Offered by Representative Mrowicki of Putney

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Oak Meadow homeschool curriculum developer and distance learning school on its 50th anniversary and extending best wishes for the future

*Whereas*, in 1975 in California, Lawrence and Bonnie Williams established Oak Meadow as a secular, independent K–12 school and as a provider of print-based, student-centric curricula focused on children's developmental stages, and

Whereas, in 1996, Oak Meadow relocated to Vermont, and in 2007, the company transferred its corporate registration from California to Vermont, and

*Whereas*, the provision of distance learning services, especially for the international market, is a major aspect of Oak Meadow's operations, and in 2015, the New England Association of Schools and Colleges awarded its first accreditation of a distance learning school to Oak Meadow, and

*Whereas*, domestically, scores of traditional public schools, public charter schools, and alternative educational programs throughout the nation rely on the Oak Meadow curriculum, and internationally, Oak Meadow subsidized enrollment for students from an orphanage in India and provided the curriculum used in a small private school in Kabul, Afghanistan, and

*Whereas*, in 1998, Oak Meadow's co-founder, Lawrence Williams, wrote that "What primarily distinguishes Oak Meadow from other schools is not the outer form which we use, but our inner attitude...our primary concern is the quality of our relationship with the student and the learning process," and

Whereas, in 2021, Lawrence Williams passed away unexpectedly, leaving the business in the capable hands of his children, Chloe and Skye Lee, and

Whereas, in 2025, Oak Meadow's mission is "to help students and families experience the joy of learning and create meaningful change in the world," and

*Whereas*, on June 1, 2025, Oak Meadow's dedicated faculty, staff, and generations of students and families will gather in Brattleboro to mark 50 years of heartful passion and expertise poured into cultivating the compassionate and personalized educational experiences that nurture the joy of learning, *now therefore be it* 

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

That the General Assembly congratulates the Oak Meadow homeschool curriculum developer and distance learning school on its 50th anniversary and extends best wishes for the future, *and be it further* 

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