

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**ADDENDUM**

**TO THE**

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Text of House Concurrent  
Resolutions**

**of**

**April 5, 2012**

## **Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16**

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Representative requests floor consideration before the end of Friday's legislative session. Requests for floor consideration must be communicated to the House Clerk's office.

### **Resolutions**

#### **H.C.R. 328.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Oxbow Union High School Olympians 2012 Division III championship girls' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Conquest of Newbury, Davis of Washington and Winters of Williamstown

Whereas, the third-seeded Oxbow Union High School Olympians Division III girls' basketball team brought their 19–4 record into the championship game against the top-seeded Enosburg High School Hornets, and

Whereas, Oxbow's chances did not appear particularly bright during the second quarter, as the Olympians were as much as 11 points down and entered the halftime break trailing 24–16, and

Whereas, at 5:50 left in the third quarter, the score had remained nearly unchanged with the Hornets still on top at 26–16, and

Whereas, the Olympians then turned on a dominating offense as they scored 14 successive points, which included a bank-shot three-pointer, one player contributing seven to the intense drive, and two others successfully adding two free throws each, and all of this was happening while the Hornets were stymied from adding even a single point, and

Whereas, with 3:42 left in the fourth quarter, Oxbow was on top 37–30 but discovered it was unsafe to relax for the balance of the contest, and

Whereas, the Hornets regained their scoring acumen and, with exactly 30.3 seconds before the buzzer, delivered the basket that tied the game at 37, and

Whereas, with 23.3 seconds left, one of the Oxbow free-throwers broke the tie and placed the Olympians ahead for the duration, and the entire team tallied a 28 for 39 free-throw success rate, and

Whereas, to be certain the victory was absolutely guaranteed, this same player scored a final layup merely seconds before the game's conclusion, and

Whereas, this dramatic finale thrilled the Oxbow fans at the Barre Auditorium as they celebrated a 43–40 victory and their team's capturing the 2012 Division III title, and

Whereas, Olympians Felicia Downing, Reilly Johnson, Lauren Tomlinson, Marian Carr, Emily Speck, Meghan Hart, Alexis Maxwell, Karley Hamilton, Mikayla Hodge, and Dilan Clements were a great team, and head coach Brian Musty, assistant coach Shawn French, and team managers Kelsi Furman, Jade Pierson, and Meaghan Williams each played roles that helped the team succeed, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Oxbow Union High School Olympians 2012 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 Oxbow Union High School.

### **H.C.R. 329.**

House concurrent resolution honoring Diana Pfenning for her outstanding leadership of the Tapestry Program of Rutland County

Offered by: Representatives Fagan of Rutland City, Andrews of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Courcelle of Rutland City, McNeil of Rutland Town, Potter of Clarendon and Russell of Rutland City

Offered by: Senators Carris, Flory and Mullin

Whereas, the Tapestry Program of Rutland County (serving students in the communities of Proctor, Rutland City, Rutland Town, and West Rutland) was organized in 2000 and is an afterschool program designed to “provide expanded learning opportunities, as well as multiple cultural and enrichment experiences in a safe drug free, supervised environment,” and

Whereas, since the Tapestry Program was established, Diana Pfenning has served as its effective and innovative executive director with supervisory responsibilities for the services provided at schools in each of the four communities it serves, and

Whereas, Diana Pfenning earned a degree in elementary education at Castleton State College and a master's degree in early childhood education from Wheelock College in Boston, and

Whereas, in 2003, she implemented a sustainability plan to “keep the lights on after school” in the four communities and seven schools serving over 800 students a year, and

Whereas, in 2005, the National Partnership for Quality After School Learning recognized the Tapestry Program for its exemplary practices and homework program, and

Whereas, two professional awards for distinguished service have been presented to Diana Pfenning, the Early Childhood Council's Building Bright Futures Award in 2006 and then, in 2007, the 21st Century Leadership Award for "exceptional leadership in program sustainability," and

Whereas, under her capable direction, all six Tapestry sites have earned either 4- or 5-star accreditation from the department for children and families, and

Whereas, among Diana Pfenning's accomplishments have been the repeated receipt of 21st Century Learning grants, and the establishment in 2010 of the MOVE Program for middle school students to foster career opportunity engagement, and

Whereas, after her tenure as the first and only executive director, during which the Tapestry Program of Rutland County has greatly enhanced the educational experiences for many children, Diana Pfenning will be retiring in June 2012, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Diana Pfenning for her outstanding leadership of the Tapestry Program of Rutland County, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Diana Pfenning and to the Rutland Public Schools.

**H.C.R. 330.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2012 Mount St. Joseph Academy Mounties Division II championship boys' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Fagan of Rutland City, Andrews of Rutland City, Courcelle of Rutland City, McNeil of Rutland Town, Russell of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Eckhardt of Chittenden and Potter of Clarendon

Offered by: Senators Carris, Flory and Mullin

Whereas, the 2011–2012 boys of Mount St. Joseph (MSJ) Academy played with their eyes on a potential Division II basketball title, and

Whereas, the proud Mounties' quest proceeded on a steady course as they defeated all but two of their opponents and earned the second seed for playoff competition, and

Whereas, MSJ achieved its hoped for season conclusion as one of the two championship contenders, with their opponent being the first-seeded Vergennes Union High School Commodores, thus portending a great basketball match-up at the Barre auditorium, and

Whereas, the Mounties immediately discovered that defeating Vergennes was a challenging assignment with no assurances of success as the Commodores grabbed an early 11–3 edge on the scoreboard, and

Whereas, trailing 21–19 at halftime, the Mounties recognized they needed to ignore the limelight pressures and focus on the persistent and hard basketball play for which they were well known, and

Whereas, the Mounties entered the second half with renewed confidence, and in the opening moments, MSJ combined a baseline jumper with stealing the subsequent inbound pass to gain the lead, 23–21, which it did not surrender for the balance of the game, and

Whereas, by the start of the last quarter, MSJ led 37–27, and despite the Commodore’s final attempt to rebound, the Mounties remained in control, winning 56–48 and clinching the 2012 Division II title, and

Whereas, the MSJ Mounties, whose 22–2 season ended triumphantly, included Jaskin Melendez, Jahnathan Mitchell, David Perry, John Dewey, Stephen Anderson, Zachary Lanzillo, Robert Cassell, Shannon Murray, Matthew Sanborn, and Deward Corlew, and Head Coach Mark Benetatos, his assistants, Jeffrey White and Jim Madgwick, team manager Joshua Pellerin-Fales, and scorekeeper Camilla Gilligan were always lending a helping hand, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2012 Mount St. Joseph Academy Mounties 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 Mount St. Joseph Academy in Rutland City.

**H.C.R. 331.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Kevin Wang on winning a 2012 Siemens Award for Advanced Placement excellence in science and mathematics

Offered by: Representatives Head of South Burlington, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Munger of South Burlington and Pugh of South Burlington

Whereas, the College Board administers Advanced Placement (AP) exams for high school students on many subjects, including biology, calculus, chemistry, computer science, electricity and magnetism, environmental science, mechanics, physics, and statistics, and

Whereas, the Siemens Foundation recognizes students, teachers, and schools that have demonstrated excellence in association with AP exams in science and mathematics, and

Whereas, the male and female student in each state who have earned the most top scores of five in AP exams in mathematics or science are honored as Siemens Award winners and presented a \$2,000 college scholarship, and

Whereas, in 2012, Kevin Wang, a senior at South Burlington High School who to date has taken 11 AP courses, is a Vermont recipient of this prestigious honor, and

Whereas, this young man is an extraordinary academic achiever, having been named a University of Vermont Green and Gold Scholarship winner, a National Merit Scholar finalist, and a Presidential Scholar candidate, and is an award-winning pianist who has been a featured soloist with the Vermont Philharmonic, and

Whereas, in the fields of mathematics and science, Kevin Wang was a U.S. Mathematical Olympiad qualifier in both 2009 and 2011, signifying him as one of the nation's top 500 math students; he won the 2010 and 2011 University of Vermont Math Prize Exam; he earned several medals for his presentations at the Vermont State Science and Mathematics Fair; he is a four-time invitee to the Vermont Governor's Institute on Mathematics; he has been a member of a Moody's Mega Math Challenge team, which received honorable mention as one of the top 20 teams nationally; and he has served as the school's math league captain since 2009, and

Whereas, Kevin Wang's breadth of academic accomplishment and school participation is broad, as he captains both the Scholar's Bowl and the debate team and is senior class vice president, and

Whereas, in the community at large, he is the only youth member of the 23-person advisory board of Child Safe Vermont, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Kevin Wang on winning a 2012 Siemens Award for Advanced Placement excellence in science and mathematics, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Kevin Wang at South Burlington High School.

**H.C.R. 332.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Hartford High School Hurricanes 2012 Division II championship girls' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Bohi of Hartford, Christie of Hartford, Bartholomew of Hartland and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators Campbell, McCormack and Nitka

Whereas, the Hurricanes of Hartford High School had never won a girls' basketball championship, and

Whereas, the 2011–2012 Hartford girls' basketball team was among the best Hurricane athletic squad ever assembled in any sport, and

Whereas, when the playoff rankings were announced, Hartford was seeded second only behind the Eagles of Mount Abraham Union High School, and, not unexpectedly, Hartford and Mount Abraham were the remaining two contenders for the Division II championship title, and

Whereas, as the game progressed, the two team's rankings seemed to be reversed as the best Mount Abraham could muster were two fleeting ties, and

Whereas, the combination of individual talent and well-timed team coordination contributed to the Hurricanes' building a 12-point halftime lead, and

Whereas, the third quarter was especially difficult for the Eagles as the strong Hurricane defense prevented a single Mount Abraham basket for a 12-minute period, including the entire third quarter, and

Whereas, with four minutes of game time remaining, the powerful Hurricane offensive line up had established a seemingly insurmountable 21-point lead, and

Whereas, thinking perhaps prematurely that their victory was sealed, the Hurricanes repeatedly allowed the Eagles to visit the free-throw line, narrowing the scoring difference, and

Whereas, although these final minutes were of concern for the Hurricanes, they defeated Mount Abraham 48–35, and departed from the Barre Auditorium as the 2012 Division II girls' basketball championship team, and

Whereas, this great Hartford squad included Kelsey Kehoe, Amy Koh, Stephanie Grobe, Colby Frechette, Jessica Barnum, Karianna Willette, Devon Day, Sarah Illingworth, Heather Illingworth, Karla Medina, Katelyn Sheldrick, Hanna Hausler, Taylor Johnson, and Clara Leister, and head coach Steve Landon and assistant coaches Heather Baker, Matt Willette, and Dave Davis were wonderful mentors, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Hartford High School Hurricanes 2012 Division II championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 333.**

House concurrent resolution joyfully extending birthday wishes to the grande dame of Montpelier, Lola Aiken, who turns 100 on June 24, 2012

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, no person more enthusiastically embodies the spirit of Vermont and the state's capital city of Montpelier than Lola Aiken, who this year is celebrating her 100th birthday, and

Whereas, Lola was the devoted wife and political confidante of former Governor and United States Senator George Aiken, and

Whereas, after graduating as valedictorian from Montpelier High School and working at a local law firm, Lola applied for a state house job at the office of the secretary of state, and her life's destiny was forever changed, and

Whereas, Lola Pierotti soon became acquainted with many of the state's political leaders, including the horticulturalist from Putney, George Aiken, who served as speaker, lieutenant governor, and, starting in 1937, governor until his election to the United States Senate in 1940, and

Whereas, newly elected Senator Aiken recognized Lola Pierotti as a politically astute woman with strong management skills, and he invited her to work in his office in the nation's capital, and in time the Senator appointed her as chief of his Washington staff, and

Whereas, after the death of the Senator's first wife, Lola Pierotti became his social companion, and in 1967 they wed, and this political team was one with a deep personal bond, and

Whereas, Lola Aiken could strike up friendly conversations with members of Congress and their spouses from both sides of the aisle, proving of great advantage to Senator Aiken, and

Whereas, the Aikens' successful political and personal partnership in Washington, D.C. continued until the Senator's retirement in 1975, when they came home to Vermont and settled in George Aiken's home town of Putney, and



Whereas, when the Governor (as she still fondly refers to her late husband) died in 1984, Lola Aiken returned to her home town of Montpelier, becoming active on the boards of many organizations including Champlain College and the Friends of the State House, and

Whereas, Lola Aiken has been described by a friend as an elegantly dressed, optimistic, and sassy lady who is eternally optimistic, and

Whereas, a pioneer in advancing in Washington the cause of women, Lola lived up to her reputation as being tough as nails on one occasion when she single-handedly decided that a woman should sit at the front table of the Coffee Corner restaurant in Montpelier, where on many mornings, even recently, she moderated lively discussions on the issues of the day, and

Whereas, the state house beckoned Lola once more in 2000 when the General Assembly appointed her to a special committee formed to recommend a solution to the long-lingering and vexing dilemma of choosing historically accurate carpeting for the Senate chamber, and, perhaps not surprisingly with Lola Aiken on the job, the mission was accomplished, and

Whereas, the members of this legislature wish to pay special tribute to a most endearing and gracious Vermonter whose life has truly been of historic magnitude, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly joyfully extends happy 100th birthday wishes to the grande dame of Montpelier, Lola Aiken, a Vermont treasure, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Lola Aiken in Montpelier.

**H.C.R. 334.**

House concurrent resolution recognizing Boseung Halliwell, PMHNP, for her efforts to improve the quality of health care delivery in Lamoille County

Offered by: Representatives Woodward of Johnson, Martin of Wolcott, Peltz of Woodbury, Smith of Morristown

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, the state of Vermont strives to provide all its citizens with quality medical and mental health care services, regardless of their economic or social status, in an effective and efficient manner that utilizes existing resources and infrastructure, and

Whereas, federally qualified health care centers (FQHC) are providers of medical services that are eligible for federal support and serve an underserved area or population, offer a sliding fee scale, provide comprehensive health care services, and have a governing board of directors, and

Whereas, a designated mental health agency (DMHA) is a provider of mental health care services for a particular geographic area of the state, and

Whereas, Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley and Lamoille Community Connections serve as the FQHC and the DMHA in Lamoille County, and

Whereas, Boseung Halliwell is a psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner (PMHNP) who works in Lamoille County, and

Whereas, while Vermonters are fortunate to be able to avail themselves of the services of both FQHCs and DMHAs, medical and mental health services have traditionally been provided independently of one another, resulting in fractured care at an increased cost, and

Whereas, in Lamoille County, the regional FQHC and DMHA are engaged in a pioneering collaboration to offer medical and mental health care services at a centralized center, a goal that is desirable throughout Vermont, and

Whereas, Boseung Halliwell's specific collaborative work involving Community Mental Health Services of Lamoille Valley and Lamoille Community Connections has centralized the patient-centered medical home model, and this organizational consolidation has raised the quality of care for her patients and enabled them to participate in the 340b prescription drug discount program, all of which has been to their great benefit, and

Whereas, her creative efforts to unite the different elements of health care delivery are a model for her professional colleagues to emulate, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes Boseung Halliwell, PMHNP, for her efforts in Lamoille County to improve the quality of health care delivery, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Boseung Halliwell, PMHNP, at Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley in Morrisville.

**H.C.R. 335.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2012 Proctor High School Phantoms Division IV championship girls' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Burditt of West Rutland, Acinapura of Brandon, Andrews of Rutland City, Canfield of Fair Haven, Courcelle of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Eckhardt of Chittenden, Fagan of Rutland City, French of Shrewsbury, Helm of Fair Haven, Malcolm of Pawlet, McNeil of Rutland Town, Russell of Rutland City and Shaw of Pittsford

Whereas, the members of the 2011 Proctor High School Division IV girls' soccer team developed such a strong camaraderie and team spirit that 11 of these players comprised the school's 2011–2012 12-member girls' basketball roster, and

Whereas, as a basketball team, these talented athletes proved they were as agile at shooting a basketball as at kicking a soccer ball, and

Whereas, with only a single defeat tarnishing an otherwise perfect record, the Phantoms were awarded a second-seed ranking for the postseason playoffs, and

Whereas, they continued their winning streak to the decisive championship game played at Barre Auditorium against the No. 1-seeded Twinfield Trojans, and

Whereas, the Phantoms' squad included two extremely versatile scorers, who in combination scored 41 of the game's points, and their teammates and they brought Proctor to a 33–18 halftime lead, and

Whereas, the Trojans were not easy to defeat as they began the third quarter with a convincing offensive surge, and when the game was three-quarters concluded, Twinfield had narrowed the scoring gap to 45–38, and

Whereas, not interested in letting down their school after progressing to nearly the postgame championship awards' presentation, the Phantoms acted decisively in the final minutes with a deep two-pointer that triggered a series of plays resulting in an 11-point Proctor lead, and

Whereas, when the final buzzer called the game to its conclusion, the Proctor Phantoms, including Carly Trombley, Brodie Langlois, Nicole Valach, Riley Coombs, Megan Carter, Alyssa Valerio, Megan Elrick, Carissa Elrick, Mikayla McCormack, Erin Keefe, Mikayla Tanner, and Mackenzie Hickey, had earned themselves the 2012 Division IV girls' basketball crown as the result of a 61–52 championship game win over the Twinfield Trojans, and

Whereas, Head Coach Christopher Hughes, assistant coaches, Lisa Hughes and Jacob Tanner, and bookkeeper, Jackie Ojala, were all part of a 22–1 winning season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2012 Proctor High School Phantoms Division IV championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 336.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Rice Memorial High School 2012 Division I championship girls' basketball team

Offered by: Representatives Pugh of South Burlington, Till of Jericho, Bissonnette of Winooski, Aswad of Burlington, Atkins of Winooski, Bouchard of Colchester, Brennan of Colchester, Donovan of Burlington, Head of South Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Munger of South Burlington, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pearson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Wizowaty of Burlington and Wright of Burlington

Whereas, the Rice Memorial High School Green Knights girls' basketball team sought to repeat its 2011 triumph as Division I champions and, despite moments of midseason hesitation, was seeded second in the playoffs, and

Whereas, the Green Knights earned a championship game berth and once again confronted the Redhawks of Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU), and

Whereas, as the first and second seeds in this year's post-regular-season play, these returning squads were the perfect pairing for the decisive game, and

Whereas, because each school is located in the Burlington metropolitan area, large contingents of loyal fans from both schools cheered for their favorite team at the University of Vermont's Patrick Gymnasium, and

Whereas, defeating CVU in 2012 proved a daunting assignment as the Green Knights lost the lead in the middle of the first quarter, and with only 5:09 left of regulation play, Rice was still behind 33–28, and

Whereas, realizing the entire season's fate was to be determined in a matter of minutes, the Green Knights ignited for a quick offensive drive that left them on top 34–33, and

Whereas, following a successful Rice free throw, CVU responded with a shot from the floor to tie the game at 35–all with the clock showing a mere 3:33 remaining in the fourth quarter, and

Whereas, a Rice player then executed a reserve layup along the baseline to reclaim the lead for the Green Knights, and from that moment, they retained the scoring advantage until the final buzzer, and

Whereas, with an admirable perseverance and comeback spirit, Rice defeated CVU 46–41 and clinched a second consecutive Division I girls' basketball crown, and

Whereas, Green Knights Carolyn Snell, Ellen Boucher, Michelle Bolger, Alaina Sarvak, Tomilayo Akinpetide, Katie Kowalski, Ellie Zuk, Hailee Barron, Cassidy Derda, Gemma Cirignano, Jamie Bunch, Emma Chicoine, and Katie Hetling played an exciting 19–5 season, and head coach Tim Rice and assistant coaches Mark Pfaff, Lindsey Ellis, and Noelle Guarnieri, trainer Meg Quiet, and team managers Hannah Durkee, Paige Levinsky, and Sydnee Lyman were always present to assist the Green Knight players, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Rice Memorial High School 2012 Division I championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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

#### **S.C.R. 41.**

Senate concurrent resolution honoring Richard Strong for his more than half century of municipal public service in the village of Ludlow.

*Whereas*, extended longevity of service on town boards is not unusual in Vermont, as well qualified and dedicated individuals are asked to continue serving their communities for many years, and

*Whereas*, even with this tradition, the 58-year tenure of Richard Strong on the village of Ludlow water commission is extraordinary and worthy of legislative commendation, and

*Whereas*, Richard Strong has been a respected member of the commission throughout his service, and at an age when many persons have stepped back from active community roles, his work in recent years has been especially effective and important to the long-term integrity and capacity of the village's 100-year-old water system, and

*Whereas*, beginning in 2007, the village commenced a comprehensive water study, and by June of 2009, the \$3.5 million rehabilitation project was under construction, and it was completed in 2011, and

*Whereas*, the project's components included building new transmission and distribution pipes and a new 400,000-gallon water storage tank, and

*Whereas*, in recognition of his integral role in overseeing this pivotal project from conception to completion, in 2009 the village of Ludlow proudly named the new water storage unit as the Richard F. Strong water tank, an especially fitting tribute, and

*Whereas*, on March 6, 2012, after serving his community with vigor and foresight for over half a century, Richard Strong retired from serving on the commission, and

*Whereas*, Richard Strong and his wife, Gladys Strong, are longtime Ludlow residents who have many ties to the community, *now therefore be it*

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

That the General Assembly honors Richard Strong for his more than half-century of municipal public service in the village of Ludlow, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Richard Strong in Ludlow.

**S.C.R. 42.**

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating Lyndon Rescue, Inc. on its 40th anniversary

*Whereas*, when a situation arises requiring the swift transportation of a person to a hospital, the immediate availability of an emergency responder can be the crucial factor in saving a life, and

*Whereas*, much of the Northeast Kingdom is now most fortunate to have access to the fulltime Lyndon Rescue, Inc., an emergency responder service that has earned an enviable reputation for professionalism, timeliness, and proven technical capability, and

*Whereas*, the origination of this important community resource was different from the establishment of most emergency responder operations, and

*Whereas*, 40 years ago, a group of Lyndon State College students, concerned about a sudden death on campus in 1971, decided that a proactive response might prevent a repetition of that tragic event, and

*Whereas*, on February 16, 1972, these concerned students established the Campus Rescue Emergency Squad (CRES), and

*Whereas*, CRES was essentially a college club with a vehicle inventory limited to one on-call Lyndon State College mail van, and

*Whereas*, initially, CRES responded to a small number of emergencies that took place in an extremely limited geographic area, and

*Whereas*, many persons realized that a professionally trained ambulance service was a resource that the wider area definitely required, and

*Whereas*, from its limited original mission of offering on-campus emergency response services, CRES has evolved into the fulltime Lyndon Rescue, Inc., which serves a territory of 560 square miles in the Northeast Kingdom with four fully equipped ambulances, and

*Whereas*, in celebration of its 40th anniversary, Lyndon Rescue, Inc. is marking this special occasion with several commemorative events, and

*Whereas*, perhaps most importantly for the community at large, the organization is broadcasting a series of health-related public service announcements, and

*Whereas*, on a lighter note, other celebratory activities include a birthday party, a 40th anniversary dinner, and several other planned events, *now therefore be it*

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

That the General Assembly congratulates Lyndon Rescue, Inc. on its 40th anniversary, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Lyndon Rescue, Inc. in Lyndonville.