

No. R-86. House concurrent resolution congratulating Nancy Coleman of Woodford on being selected as the 2016 Vermont State School Nurse of the Year.

(H.C.R.63)

Offered by: Representatives Botzow of Pownal, Corcoran of Bennington, Fields of Bennington, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morris of Bennington, and Morrissey of Bennington

Offered by: Senators Campion and Sears

Whereas, school nurses are the first medical resource for students, faculty, and staff who become ill during the school day, and

Whereas, these medical professionals design health education programs for students, and

Whereas, the Vermont State School Nurses' Association (VSSNA) is the membership organization that offers guidance and a professional forum for Vermont's dedicated school nurses, and

Whereas, annually, the VSSNA recognizes one of its accomplished members as the Vermont State School Nurse of the Year, and

Whereas, at its most recent fall conference held in Brattleboro, the VSSNA presented the 2016 award to Nancy Coleman of Woodford, who is the school nurse at the Mt. Anthony Union Middle School (MAUMS), and

Whereas, Nancy Coleman has worked as a school nurse for 22 years, is a great advocate on behalf of her school's students and their families, and has earned the MAUMS community's trust and respect, and

Whereas, her excellent credentials, in addition to her nursing degree, include certification as a first aid and CPR instructor and a master's degree in education, and

Whereas, Nancy Coleman has been a leading member of the VSSNA, having served on the organization's board of directors and in senior leadership positions, including conference chair, secretary, treasurer, and president, and

Whereas, as a VSSNA officer, Nancy Coleman played a key role in the drafting and implementation of the organization's operating guidelines, and

Whereas, for many years, organizing VSSNA conferences has been a special responsibility for Nancy Coleman, and she performs this task effectively and with the gratitude of her school nursing colleagues, and

Whereas, as a National Association of School Nurses Director, her excellent leadership skills have been applied beyond Vermont's borders, and

Whereas, Nancy Coleman's selection as the 2016 Vermont State School Nurse of the Year was a well-deserved recognition of her outstanding service as a school nurse, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Nancy Coleman of Woodford on being selected as the 2016 Vermont State School Nurse of the Year, and be it further

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