

No. R-161. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2019 Junior Iron Chef VT championship teams.

(H.C.R.134)

Offered by: Representatives Sibia of Dover, Batchelor of Derby, Bock of Chester, Briglin of Thetford, Brownell of Pownal, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burditt of West Rutland, Chase of Colchester, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Demrow of Corinth, Fagan of Rutland City, Fegard of Berkshire, Forguites of Springfield, Gannon of Wilmington, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hill of Wolcott, Houghton of Essex, Killacky of South Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lefebvre of Newark, Leffler of Enosburgh, Lippert of Hinesburg, Long of Newfane, Masland of Thetford, Mattos of Milton, McCarthy of St. Albans City, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan of Milton, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Noyes of Wolcott, O'Brien of Tunbridge, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pajala of Londonderry, Potter of Clarendon, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Toof of St. Albans Town, Troiano of Stannard, and Webb of Shelburne

Whereas, VT FEED is a partnership, now under the joint management of the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont and Shelburne Farms, that helps “to grow robust farm to school programs,” and

Whereas, this partnership sponsors the annual Junior Iron Chef VT, a cooking competition that challenges young chefs to incorporate healthy Vermont foods into meals that could be served in school cafeterias, and

Whereas, the 12th annual Junior Iron Chef VT, held on Saturday, March 16 at the Champlain Valley Expo, featured the participation of 62 culinary teams, 264 students, and 58 farms and producers, and

Whereas, the three award categories were Crowd Pleaser, recognizing a team that “best incorporates color, texture, and taste”; Lively Local, honoring a team that “best highlights Vermont foods”; and Mise en Place, saluting “exemplary teamwork, order, and professionalism,” and

Whereas, the Crowd Pleaser winners were: the Holland Hawks (Holland Elementary School, Notchy Average Stuffed Wonton Nacho); Slice, Dice and Spice (Burlington Technical Center, Vermont Roots); Turnip the Beet (Green Mountain Union High School, Sweet Potato-Chickpea Burgers with Caribbean Slaw and VT Maple BBQ Sauce); and the GMTCC Cooks (Green Mountain Technology and Career Center, Rich and Creamy Ratatouille in a Roasted Pepper Sauce), and

Whereas, the Lively Local honorees were: the Sharon Shredders (Sharon Elementary School, Very Veggie Enchiladas with Homemade Sweet Potato Tortillas); the Sharpest Knives in the Drawer (Lake Champlain Waldorf School, Gnocchi with Vegetables and Basil Cream Sauce); the Nacho Ninjas (Milton Middle School, Vermont Style Nachos); and the Green Mountain Chieftains (Green Mountain Union High School, Stuffed Portobello Mushrooms), and

Whereas, the teams earning Mis en Place recognition were: the Bakersfield Bobcats (Bakersfield Elementary Middle School’s Afterschool Program, Butternut Squash Curry over Bulgur); the Rebel Diablos (Leland and Gray Union Middle/High School, These Ain’t

Yo Mama's Tacos!); the 4-H'ers (Vermont 4-H, Veggie Manicotti with Alfredo Sauce); and the Savage Sobas (Milton High School, Soba Noodle Soup), now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2019 Junior Iron Chef VT championship teams, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the winning teams.