No. R-329. House concurrent resolution congratulating Katie Sedore on her winning a Milken Educator Award.

(H.C.R.234)

Offered by: Representatives Koch of Barre Town, McFaun of Barre Town, Michelsen of Hardwick, Poirier of Barre City, Strong of Albany, Taylor of Barre City, and Young of Glover

Offered by: Senators Cummings, Doyle, Pollina, Rodgers, and Starr

<u>Whereas</u>, Katie Sedore has followed her father's career path as a secondary school educator and, since 2005, has taught language arts at Spaulding High School where her father, Tom Sedore, is the principal, and

<u>Whereas</u>, she graduated from Craftsbury High School and St. Michael's College and earned a master's degree from the University of New England, and

Whereas, she instructs 9th and 10th graders using the Read 180 program, and

Whereas, Katie Sedore's role at Spaulding is hardly limited to her classroom teaching, and

<u>Whereas</u>, among her other duties are serving as coordinator of the education support team and directing the after-school homework club, and

Whereas, since 2011, Katie Sedore has also taught English at the Granite Academy, an alternative education program that the Spaulding special education department established, and

<u>Whereas</u>, this outstanding teacher came to the attention of the Milken Family Foundation, which, since 1985, has presented the Milken Educator Award, and

<u>Whereas</u>, this award is intended for teachers who early in their careers have demonstrated impressive professional achievements and shown the promise of future accomplishments, and

Whereas, each winner is presented with a \$25,000 unrestricted cash award, and

Whereas, the Milken Foundation selected Katie Sedore to be a recipient of this "Oscar of Teaching," and she is an ideal winner of this prize, and

<u>Whereas</u>, at a special presentation ceremony, before the entire student body, Governor Shumlin made the surprise announcement, and even Tom Sedore was not informed in advance, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Katie Sedore on her winning a Milken Educator Award and wishes her every success in her teaching career, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Katie Sedore.