

No. R-311. House concurrent resolution congratulating Mary Anderson on being named the 2024–2025 Vermont Elementary School Principal of the Year.

(H.C.R.245)

Offered by: Representatives Boyden of Cambridge, Carpenter of Hyde Park, and Noyes of Wolcott

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, each year, the Vermont Principals' Association honors an outstanding elementary school principal based on the time-proven adage "that there are no good schools without good school leaders," and

Whereas, for the 2024–2025 academic year, the honoree is Mary Anderson, who, since 2001, has served as the exemplary principal of Cambridge Elementary School, and

Whereas, her pedagogic and educational administrator career was launched at Johnson State College, her alma mater, and

Whereas, Mary Anderson's first teaching position was at the Jay Westfield Joint Elementary School where she taught both kindergarten and sixth grade, and

Whereas, the changing demands of public education persuaded Mary Anderson to earn a master's degree, and, on earning this advance degree, she became her school's combined principal-kindergarten teacher, and

Whereas, for eight years, she was an admired staff member at the Jay Westfield Joint Elementary School, but she sought out the opportunity to devote her full attention to serving as a school administrator, and

Whereas, in the fall of 2001, the much larger Cambridge Elementary School—today with more than 300 students and nearly 90 staff—welcomed Mary Anderson as its new principal, and, over two decades later, this ideal partnership in education continues, a success story that this outstanding elementary school leader attributes to collaboratively connecting with her teachers and staff, and

Whereas, her selection for this tribute has garnered much praise, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Mary Anderson on being named the 2024–2025 Vermont Elementary School Principal of the Year, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mary Anderson and to Cambridge Elementary School.