

No. R-381. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2016 Lyndon Institute Vikings Division II championship boys' basketball team.

(H.C.R.291)

Offered by: Representatives Lawrence of Lyndon and Feltus of Lyndon

Offered by: Senators Benning and Kitchel

Whereas, the second-seeded Lyndon Institute Vikings tipped off against the fifth-seeded Woodstock Wasps for the Division II boys' basketball championship at Barre Auditorium, and

Whereas, although offensively strong, Lyndon placed strong emphasis on a man-to-man defense as its best winning strategy, and

Whereas, this proved a wise move as the Vikings dominated most of the game, and

Whereas, although the Vikings had a narrow one-point margin early in the second quarter, they developed a 26–16 halftime advantage and continued strongly thereafter, winning the game 56–37, capturing their second Division II title in three years, and holding the Wasps to below the 40 point mark for the first time this season, and

Whereas, the 18–6 Vikings, who played with great team spirit, included Nikola Veljic, Kurtis Raymond, Justin Joyal, J.J. Mesics, Sheldon Sanborn, Brandon Brunell, Connor Whitehead, Jacky Lau, Logan Larose, Luka Grubic, and Collin Deluca, and

Whereas, Head Coach Phil Joyal and assistant coaches Patrick Rainville and Travis Courser were ideal mentors, and team managers Axerre Ntabana, Levi Gardner, and Lindsey Joyal provided timely assistance, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2016 Lyndon Institute Vikings 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 Lyndon Institute.