

No. R-408. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 Essex High School Vermont National Education Scholars' Bowl championship team.

(H.C.R.298)

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, the Vermont National Education Scholars' Bowl challenges high school students in an array of academic fields ranging from history to literature to mathematics, and

Whereas, students representing schools from across the State competed in tournaments throughout the fall and winter at which their knowledge and academic agility were put to the test, and

Whereas, each competitive match was conducted between two four-member teams, each representing a different school, and

Whereas, the demanding season of elimination rounds culminated in the 31st annual State championship tournament held on March 29 at the University of Vermont, where 13 high schools competed, and

Whereas, the day's decisive match was an exciting contest, featuring defending champion Essex High School and a talented team from South Burlington High School, and

Whereas, when the last buzzer had sounded and the match concluded, Essex High School was the top scorer and successfully defended its title, winning its third Vermont National Education Association Scholars' Bowl championship in the past five years, and

Whereas, the Essex students, including Cole Blondin, Matthew Bergeron, Martin Deutsch, Peter Feehan, Jason Yin, and Omkar Borse, will now represent Vermont at the national tournament under the wise leadership of Head Coach Lea Ann Smith, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 Essex High School Vermont National Education Scholars' Bowl championship team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Essex High School.