

No. R-29. House concurrent resolution congratulating Alexander Collins of Norwich on winning the 2022 Vermont Open chess championship.

(H.C.R.18)

Offered by: Representatives Holcombe of Norwich and Masland of Thetford

Whereas, since first grade, Alexander Collins, a member of Norwich's Howe Library Chess Club, has been fascinated by this game of strategy, and, as a result of his tournament participation, has earned intermediate player designation, and

Whereas, in 2022, now 13 years of age, Alexander Collins entered the Vermont Open chess tournament in Burlington, with 43 other competitors, anticipating the event as a fun experience and not aspiring to win, and

Whereas, Alexander Collins's methodic preparation and superb concentration stunned his fellow players, as he won all four of his matches, playing at a senior master level, and

Whereas, this extraordinary performance culminated in his becoming the youngest-ever State chess champion in Vermont history, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Alexander Collins of Norwich on winning the 2022 Vermont Open chess championship, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Alexander Collins.