No. R-111. House concurrent resolution congratulating Rylee Field of Montpelier on her being crowned Miss Vermont 2016.

(H.C.R.86)

Offered by: Representatives Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Hooper of Montpelier

Offered by: Senators Brooks, Cummings, and Pollina

Whereas, a primary activity of the Miss Vermont Scholarship Organization is the sponsorship of the annual Miss Vermont competition through which a young woman is chosen to represent our State at the Miss America pageant, and

Whereas, qualified entrants compete in five competitive categories, talent (35 percent), interview (25 percent), evening wear (20 percent), lifestyle and fitness (15 percent), and a question posed to the contestant on stage (five percent), and

Whereas, for her talent presentation, Rylee Field recited "Mockingbird," a poem by American poet and storyteller Rives, and

Whereas, at the conclusion of the 2016 competition, held at the Barre Opera House, the judges chose Rylee Field of Montpelier as the new Miss Vermont, and

Whereas, Rylee Field grew up in Vermont's capital city, graduated from Montpelier High School in 2010, and in 2014 earned a bachelor's degree in creative writing from Colby-Sawyer College, and

Whereas, Rylee Field represented Vermont enthusiastically at the 2016 Miss America competition, and

Whereas, for the past year, she has traveled throughout Vermont, speaking on her platform "Find a Happy Place: Positive Mental Health and Wellness," an activity she considers "giving back to the wonderful State that gave me so much," and

Whereas, as she completes her memorable year as Miss Vermont 2016, Rylee Field is beginning a new career at the Skinny Pancake group with a focus on event planning, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Rylee Field of Montpelier on her being crowned Miss Vermont 2016 and wishes her the best of success in her future endeavors, and be it further

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