

**No. R-213. House concurrent resolution congratulating Marion Voorheis of South Burlington High School on being named the 2009 Vermont high school teacher winner of the Siemens Award for Advanced Placement.**

(H.C.R.149)

Offered by: Representatives Head of South Burlington, Audette of South Burlington, Geier of South Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington and Donovan of Burlington

Whereas, an important measurement of high school students' scientific and mathematical knowledge is the scoring on the College Board's advanced placement (AP) examinations, and

Whereas, these rigorous tests are administered to students enrolled in the corresponding and extremely challenging AP class for that subject, and

Whereas, these science and math courses are offered in biology, calculus, chemistry, computer science, environmental science, physics, and statistics, and

Whereas, successful completion of these courses and high AP examination scores on the 1–5 scale can serve as strong indicators of successful academic performance at the nation's leading colleges, and

Whereas, annually the Siemens Foundation in collaboration with the College Board recognizes the special achievements of a high school teacher in each state who has demonstrated success in preparing students for these examinations, and

Whereas, the teachers are honored nationally with their names appearing in an advertisement that the foundation places in the *USA Today* newspaper and personally with a \$1,000 award, and

Whereas, the 2008–2009 Vermont high school teacher cited for this achievement is Marion Voorheis of South Burlington High School, and

Whereas, Marion Voorheis can be very proud of her successful role as a teacher, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Marion Voorheis of South Burlington High School on her being named the 2009 Vermont high school teacher winner of the Siemens Award for Advanced Placement, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Marion Voorheis at South Burlington High School.