

**No. R-252. House concurrent resolution congratulating John Charles Dugan on being named the Vergennes Boys & Girls Club's 2009 Youth of the Year.**

(H.C.R.172)

Offered by: Representatives Lanpher of Vergennes and Clark of Vergennes

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Giard

Whereas, the development of good character and complementary leadership skills in high school students can benefit them in many ways as they proceed through life, and

Whereas, an award that honors young persons who have worked to acquire and improve these personal traits gives them a great incentive to continue their personal growth, and

Whereas, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Vergennes annually names a high school student from its membership as the Youth of the Year, as do the organization's other clubs in Vermont, and

Whereas, the Youth of the Year is honored for leadership, community service, and contributions to the club, and

Whereas, a panel of local community members selects the award's winner after interviewing the candidates and reviewing the essays that the candidates each submit that address career goals, challenges, home and school lives, service, and moral character, and

Whereas, the local winners from the individual Boys & Girls Clubs are honored at a luncheon held in Montpelier and are given a tour of the State House, and

Whereas, the Greater Vergennes Boys & Girls Club selected John Charles (J.C.) Dugan as the 2009 recipient of this honor, and

Whereas, J.C. Dugan brought to the competition for the award all of the qualities that the judges were seeking, and

Whereas, the judges consider J.C. Dugan a perfect role model based on the way he treats his peers as their big brother and the way he welcomes and supports new members of the club, and

Whereas, his service activities have included working on Green Up Day, helping to conduct a kite-flying contest, and serving as the club's leadership group president, which involves assisting in the planning of club events and the development of fundraising activities, and

Whereas, the judges were especially impressed with his deportment during the interview, and were delighted to present the Youth of the Year Award to so worthy a candidate as J.C. Dugan, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates John Charles Dugan on being named the Vergennes Boys & Girls Club's 2009 Youth of the Year, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to John Charles Dugan in Vergennes.