

**No. R-221. House concurrent resolution congratulating Arlington Memorial High School on its receipt of a 2017 *U.S. News & World Report* Best High School in America Silver Medal.**

(H.C.R.182)

Offered by: Representatives Browning of Arlington, Botzow of Pownal, Fields of Bennington, Keefe of Manchester, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morris of Bennington, Morrissey of Bennington, and Sullivan of Dorset

Offered by: Senators Champion and Sears

Whereas, annually, the magazine *U.S. News & World Report* evaluates many of the nation's high schools, this year numbering 20,487, to determine which schools are most successful at meeting the educational needs of all students and not just those intending to attend college, and

Whereas, the factors the magazine's staff assesses include standardized math and reading scores, graduation rates, AP test scores, and the proficiency rates for disadvantaged students, and

Whereas, from the accumulated data, selected schools are named as Best Schools, and within this outstanding group of schools, an even more elite and smaller number of schools are awarded medals recognizing scholastic achievement that is especially noteworthy, and

Whereas, in 2017, 20 Vermont schools were honored as Best Schools and ten were further honored as silver medal winners, and

Whereas, one of the ten silver medal recipients is Arlington Memorial High School, which is the only high school in its supervisory union, and

Whereas, under the leadership of retired principal, Kerry Csizmesia, and current principal, Tim Stewart, Arlington Memorial High School has achieved great academic success, and

Whereas, the administration, faculty, and students of Arlington Memorial High School should be proud of their school's winning this national honor, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Arlington Memorial High School on its receipt of a 2017 *U.S. News & World Report* Best High School in America Silver Medal, and be it further

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