

No. R-240. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers three-time Division I championship girls' outdoor track and field team.

(H.C.R.196)

Offered by: Representatives Beck of St. Johnsbury, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury, Martel of Waterford, Toll of Danville, Lawrence of Lyndon, and Feltus of Lyndon

Offered by: Senators Benning and Kitchel

Whereas, in recent years, the St. Johnsbury Academy girls' outdoor track and field program has achieved great success, clinching the Division I titles in 2015 and 2016, and

Whereas, at the 2017 State championship meet in Burlington, the St. Johnsbury girls again proved they are a top-flight group of athletes, and

Whereas, individual Hilltoppers clinched first-place finishes in six of the 15 individual events, including the 200-meter dash, 100- and 300-meter hurdles, the high jump, the long jump, and the triple jump, and relay squads of St. Johnsbury runners compiled the fastest times in the 400- and 800-meter relays, and

Whereas, these impressive results, in combination with additional points gained throughout the meet, enabled the St. Johnsbury contingent to earn a third consecutive Division I title, far outscoring second-place Champlain Valley Union High School 168–98.5, and

Whereas, the triumphant Hilltoppers were Quinnae Outerbridge, Hannah Ryan, Grace Cooke, Katherine Cowan, Annie Cunningham, Frances Holderby, Bridget Webber, Hannah Wescott, Siniah Yates-Moses, Callahan Beck, Neva Bostic, Rebecca Green, Riley Higgs, Jen Rotti, Lia Rotti, Rory Young, Sadie Chapman, Hannah Davis, Morgan Eames, Nora Heffernan, Josie Moulton, Sydney Strohm, and Kayla Talbot, and

Whereas, coaches Chip Langmaid, Steve Badgley, Adam Kennedy, Michael Zahner, Andra Hibbert, and Richard Boisseau and manager Emily Green were all contributors to St. Johnsbury's earning its third consecutive Division I crown, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2017 St. Johnsbury Academy Hilltoppers Division I championship girls' outdoor track and field team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to St. Johnsbury Academy.