

**No. R-292. House concurrent resolution congratulating Hannah Rowe of St. Johnsbury Academy on her interscholastic cross-country running accomplishments.**

(H.C.R.202)

Offered by: Representatives South of St. Johnsbury, Reis of St. Johnsbury and Crawford of Burke

Offered by: Senators Choate and Kitchel

Whereas, although cross-country runners are part of a team, each athlete remains an individual competitor striving to improve her performance each time she enters a meet, and

Whereas, one of the top participants in Vermont girls' cross-country competition in the past two seasons has been Hannah Rowe of St. Johnsbury Academy, and

Whereas, the culmination of the season is the state championship meet held each October on Thetford Academy's cross-country course, and

Whereas, to win an individual cross-country title is an athletic accomplishment that only a select group of runners ever achieves, and

Whereas, in 2008, Hannah Rowe earned the Division I girls' individual cross-country state championship, and

Whereas, in 2009, when the state championship cross-country meet was held on the morning of Halloween, Hannah Rowe was once again the first female runner in Division I, and

Whereas, she completed the Thetford course impressively in a time of 20 minutes and 10 seconds, a solid 27 seconds ahead of the second-place finisher, and

Whereas, in recognition of her outstanding results at the 2009 state championship cross-country meet, the Caledonian Record on November 5, 2009, named Hannah Rowe as its high school female athlete of the week, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Hannah Rowe of St. Johnsbury Academy on her interscholastic cross-country running accomplishments, and be it further

Resolved: That the secretary of state be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Hannah Rowe at St. Johnsbury Academy.