

**No. R-298. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Woodford SnoBusters snowmobile club on its 40th anniversary.**

(H.C.R.232)

Offered by: Representatives Morrissey of Bennington, Brownell of Pownal, and Corcoran of Bennington

Offered by: Senators Campion and Sears

Whereas, the success of the statewide VAST snowmobile trail network is dependent on the vitality of the organization's local clubs, and the Woodford SnoBusters, located in the southwest corner of the State, epitomizes the volunteer dedication and spirit of the sport's enthusiastic supporters, and

Whereas, at 2,300 feet, Woodford's snowy abundance provides a great locale for snowmobilers to pursue their favorite pastime, and

Whereas, in September 1984, a group of like-minded friends met on a front porch and formed the Woodford SnoBusters snowmobile club; the hosts, Joy and Jack McKenna, assumed the roles of president and trailmaster; and the other original officers were John Fiori, vice president; Peter Daigle, secretary; and Doris Lemieux, treasurer, and

Whereas, after initially grooming trails with their snowmobiles and pipe drags, the membership contributed to the purchase of the club's first grooming unit, known as a Bombi, along with a more suitable drag; and today, the club's fleet of modern grooming machines enables the implementation of a year-round scheme of trail maintenance in coordination with both VAST and the Green Mountain National Forest; and the club even operates its own web "SnoCam," and

Whereas, the club's size remains steady, attesting to the Woodford SnoBusters' stable membership base; and the schedule of safety courses emphasizes responsible traversing of the trails, and

Whereas, the Woodford SnoBusters offers scholarships to deserving students and donates to local charitable organizations, and

Whereas, in 2024, under the capable leadership of President Brian LaCroix, Vice President Larry Gates, Secretary Stacey Bleile, Treasurer Lisa Michaud, Membership Coordinator Mary Beth Daniels, and Trailmaster Scott Daniels, the Woodford SnoBusters are commemorating the club's 40th anniversary with a renewed commitment to the members' favorite pursuit, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Woodford SnoBusters snowmobile club on its 40th anniversary, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Woodford SnoBusters.