

**No. R-386. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2014 and ninth consecutive Essex High School State championship gymnastics team.**

(H.C.R.281)

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Evans of Essex, Heath of Westford, Jerman of Essex, and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Whereas, competitive gymnastics entails practice, perseverance, and precision in the performance of complex athletic routines, and

Whereas, the Essex High School Hornets' historic gymnastics team record of 22 State championships since 1971, including eight consecutive titles from 2006 through 2013, is truly remarkable, and

Whereas, the 2013–2014 Essex High School gymnastics team is a group of athletes focused on the present and not merely basking in their predecessors' accomplishments, and

Whereas, the Hornets proved this point completing an undefeated 9–0 regular season record, and

Whereas, on February 22, 2014, in the friendly confines of its home gymnasium, Essex earned the top team score of 145.225, nearly 20 points ahead of runner-up Champlain Valley Union High School, to clinch its ninth consecutive State gymnastics championship, including the top three individual scores, and

Whereas, Keira Cameron, Eve Contois, Ashley Douglas, Emily Douglas, Abigail Evans, Abigail Gehsmann, Mallory Gilbert, Courtney Gleason, Lindsey Gleason, Claire Peterson, Katlyn Schmigel, Mallory Stultz, Haley Sullivan, Karyn Svarczkopf, Kylie Svarczkopf, Taylor Thompson, Lauren Watson, manager Cristina Roberts, and outstanding Coach Ashley Godin are an incredible gymnastics team, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2014 and ninth consecutive Essex High School State championship gymnastics team, and be it further

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