No. R-415. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Town of Essex on being certified as one of Vermont's first two Quality Youth Development Communities.

(H.C.R.333)

Offered by: Representatives Giambatista of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Houghton of Essex, Myers of Essex, and Redmond of Essex

Whereas, the Essex Community Health Initiatives & Programs for Students and the Essex Healthy Youth Coalition conceived of the Quality Youth Development (QYD) designation for Vermont municipalities, and

Whereas, the criteria for QYD status are premised on the 40 youth-related Developmental Assets that the Search Institute of Minneapolis has identified, and the independent QYD Credential Committee determines which Vermont towns are awarded this distinction, and

Whereas, the Town of Essex was among the first to earn this honor, fulfilling seven of the 10 QYD requirements, and, reflective of Essex's focus on its youths, it intends to achieve all 10 criteria, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Town of Essex on being certified one of Vermont's first two Quality Youth Development Communities, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Essex Quality Youth Development Steering Committee.