

**No. R-495. House concurrent resolution congratulating Penny Ly on being named the Vermont winner of the 2014 Doodle 4 Google competition.**

(H.C.R.372)

Offered by: Representatives Bissonnette of Winooski, Cross of Winooski, and Townsend of South Burlington

Whereas, Google's Doodle 4 Google competition enables K–12 students nationwide to create a Google Doodle, and the national winner's doodle will be animated and appear on June 9 on the google.com homepage, and

Whereas, the contestants were instructed to draw a doodle based on the theme "If I could invent one thing to make the world a better place," and the judging criteria were artistic merit, creativity, and theme communication, and

Whereas, on April 29, the state winners were announced, and the Vermont winner is Penny Ly, a fifth grader at the John F. Kennedy School in Winooski, and

Whereas, the award was presented at a school assembly where representatives from Google revealed an enlarged version of Penny Ly's design entitled *Double A: Artificial Air*, and

Whereas, Penny Ly used color pencils to depict a multi-stemmed green plant capable of producing oxygen from greenhouse gas and carbon dioxide, and

Whereas, as the State winner, she won an Android tablet, a T-shirt printed with her doodle, and a trip to Google headquarters in California for a May 21 celebratory event where the five national finalists and winner will be announced, and

Whereas, Penny Ly is not only artistically talented but is also an academic achiever who is an excellent all-around student, and

Whereas, until May 9, the public has the opportunity to select the five national finalists through an online polling process featuring an illustration of each state's winning doodle, and a team of celebrity judges will choose the national winner, and

Whereas, the national winner will be awarded a Google Chromebook computer, a \$30,000.00 college scholarship and a \$50,000.00 Google for Education grant for the lucky winner's school to develop a computer education facility, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Penny Ly on being named the Vermont winner of the 2014 Doodle 4 Google competition, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Penny Ly and the John F. Kennedy School in Winooski.