No. R-446. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2018 Vermont History Day winners.

(H.C.R.372)

Offered by: Representatives Lippert of Hinesburg and Ancel of Calais

Offered by: Senator Campion

<u>Whereas</u>, National History Day is a nonprofit educational organization that offers students the opportunity to engage in original historical research, and

<u>Whereas</u>, its largest program is the National Contest, in which over one-half million students from around the world prepare projects of their choice on the annually designated topic, and

Whereas, for the 2017–2018 academic year, the topic is Conflict and Compromise in History, and

<u>Whereas</u>, middle and high school students compete on the local and affiliate levels, and the nearly 3,000 affiliate winners represent their respective jurisdictions at a week-long competitive event held in June on the campus of the University of Maryland, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on Saturday, April 7, at Montpelier High School, the Vermont Historical Society hosted Vermont History Day, the national contest's affiliate event in Vermont, and

Whereas, over 300 students presented their documentaries, exhibits, papers, performances, and websites, and

<u>Whereas</u>, 89 volunteer judges carefully reviewed the students' creations, assessing both their academic quality and effectiveness conveying the theme, and

<u>Whereas</u>, 49 students, who were responsible for the development of 31 of the projects, were selected to represent Vermont at the University of Maryland event, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the large number of Vermont History Day participants and the excellence of the winning projects attest to a vibrant interest in the study of history among the State's students in grades 5–12, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2018 Vermont History Day winners, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Historical Society and to each of the schools that the students honored in this resolution attend.