

No. R-437. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2012 Proctor High School Phantoms Division IV championship girls' basketball team.

(H.C.R.335)

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Burditt of West Rutland, Acinapura of Brandon, Andrews of Rutland City, Canfield of Fair Haven, Courcelle of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Eckhardt of Chittenden, Fagan of Rutland City, French of Shrewsbury, Helm of Fair Haven, Malcolm of Pawlet, McNeil of Rutland Town, Russell of Rutland City and Shaw of Pittsford

Whereas, the members of the 2011 Proctor High School Division IV girls' soccer team developed such a strong camaraderie and team spirit that 11 of these players comprised the school's 2011–2012 12-member girls' basketball roster, and

Whereas, as a basketball team, these talented athletes proved they were as agile at shooting a basketball as at kicking a soccer ball, and

Whereas, with only a single defeat tarnishing an otherwise perfect record, the Phantoms were awarded a second-seed ranking for the postseason playoffs, and

Whereas, they continued their winning streak to the decisive championship game played at Barre Auditorium against the No. 1-seeded Twinfield Trojans, and

Whereas, the Phantoms' squad included two extremely versatile scorers, who in combination scored 41 of the game's points, and their teammates and they brought Proctor to a 33–18 halftime lead, and

Whereas, the Trojans were not easy to defeat as they began the third quarter with a convincing offensive surge, and when the game was three-quarters concluded, Twinfield had narrowed the scoring gap to 45–38, and

Whereas, not interested in letting down their school after progressing to nearly the postgame championship awards' presentation, the Phantoms acted decisively in the final minutes with a deep two-pointer that triggered a series of plays resulting in an 11-point Proctor lead, and

Whereas, when the final buzzer called the game to its conclusion, the Proctor Phantoms, including Carly Trombley, Brodie Langlois, Nicole Valach, Riley Coombs, Megan Carter, Alyssa Valerio, Megan Elrick, Carissa Elrick, Mikayla McCormack, Erin Keefe, Mikayla Tanner, and Mackenzie Hickey, had earned themselves the 2012 Division IV girls' basketball crown as the result of a 61–52 championship game win over the Twinfield Trojans, and

Whereas, Head Coach Christopher Hughes, assistant coaches, Lisa Hughes and Jacob Tanner, and bookkeeper, Jackie Ojala, were all part of a 22–1 winning season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2012 Proctor High School Phantoms Division IV championship girls' basketball team, and be it further

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