

No. R-148. House concurrent resolution congratulating the winning teams in the 2015 Junior Iron Chef Vermont statewide youth culinary competition.

(H.C.R.112)

Offered by: Representatives Manwaring of Wilmington, Bancroft of Westford, Baser of Bristol, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Berry of Manchester, Beyor of Highgate, Burditt of West Rutland, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Cole of Burlington, Connor of Fairfield, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Dakin of Colchester, Dame of Essex, Devereux of Mount Holly, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Eastman of Orwell, Ellis of Waterbury, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Fields of Bennington, Fiske of Enosburgh, Forguites of Springfield, French of Randolph, Gamache of Swanton, Gonzalez of Winooski, Graham of Williamstown, Head of South Burlington, Hebert of Vernon, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Montpelier, Hubert of Milton, Huntley of Cavendish, Jerman of Essex, Johnson of South Hero, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, LaClair of Barre Town, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lefebvre of Newark, Lenes of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Long of Newfane, Lucke of Hartford, Macaig of Williston, Martel of Waterford, Masland of Thetford, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morrissey of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Parent of St. Albans City, Partridge of Windham, Patt of Worcester, Purvis of Colchester, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Ryerson of Randolph, Savage of Swanton, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Shaw of Derby, Sibilias of Dover, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Townsend of South Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Turner of Milton, Viens of Newport City, Walz of Barre City, Webb of Shelburne, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury, Wright of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte, and Zagar of Barnard

Whereas, the 8th annual Junior Iron Chef culinary extravaganza took place on March 21, 2015, before over 1,000 enthralled spectators at the Champlain Valley Expo Center in Essex, and

Whereas, this unique cooking event promoting local foods is a joint project of the Burlington School Food Project and VT-FEED, with support from the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, and

Whereas, 61 teams, totaling 260 students and representing over 46 schools, devised unique dishes that maximized the use of local ingredients, and

Whereas, in order to accommodate the large number of teams, separate competitions were held in the morning and afternoon; each featuring middle and high school competitors, and

Whereas, the three award categories were Crowd Pleaser (honoring a recipe that incorporates great colors, textures, and taste), Mise en Place (awarded for exemplary teamwork, order, and professionalism), and the Lively Local Award (recognizing a recipe that best highlights Vermont foods), and

Whereas, the morning's winners for the Crowd Pleaser prize were the Sharon Sprouts (Sharon Elementary School) and the CVU Chefhawks (Champlain Valley Union High School); the Mise en Place winners were the Sharon Sizzlers (Sharon Elementary School) and the LCWS Wildcats

(Lake Champlain Waldorf School); and taking home the Lively Local Award were the Boys & Girls Club Middle School (Boys & Girls Club of Burlington) and the Jalapeño Hotties (Brattleboro Union High School), and

Whereas, in the afternoon, the Crowd Pleaser honorees were the Tuttle Team Dicing Divas (FH Tuttle Middle School) and All Wrapped Up (Twin Valley Union High School); the Mis en Place prizes were presented to the Green Mountain Le Petite Cheftains (Green Mountain Union High School) and to the Thunder Chefs (Missisquoi Valley Union High School), and the Lively Local Award winners were The Wolf Pack (Albany Community School) and Ze Bon Chefs (Milton High School), and

Whereas, all of the participating students demonstrated creativity, ingenuity, and a passion for the art of cooking, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the winning teams in the 2015 Junior Iron Chef Vermont statewide youth culinary competition, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Burlington School Food Project, VT-FEED, and each of the winning teams.