

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 13

Honoring the contributions of New Hampshire's youth in government

WHEREAS, education is the bedrock of a democracy; and

WHEREAS, fourth grade curriculum in New Hampshire has long included references to studying New Hampshire history and government which brings in excess of 30,000 students to the state house in any given school year; and

WHEREAS, fourth graders, and indeed students from varying grades around our state, have for many years been responsible for initiating legislation designating, among other things, the state dog, state amphibian, state insect, state fruit, and state vegetable; and

WHEREAS, many honorable attempts have been made at the behest of students over the years to include items such as the state color, state beverage, state fossil, and state raptor, but have fallen short in their attempts in the fullness of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, New Hampshire supports the rights of all her citizens to be involved in the legislative process, especially and including all the students who wander the halls of the oldest, continually used state house in the nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire House of Representatives recognizes and offers it's thanks to all students who have participated or will continue to participate in the legislative process; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the New Hampshire House encourages the youth of this state to be actively involved in the important deliberations of government and never be discouraged if legislation fails, but work twice as hard in the efforts in the future.

Offered by the House of Representatives.