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## No. R-127. House concurrent resolution congratulating Alexander (AJ) Ginnis on winning a bronze medal in the men's slalom at the 2015 Junior World Championships.

(H.C.R.91)

Offered by: Representatives Jewett of Ripton, Grad of Moretown, and Greshin of Warren

Whereas, AJ Ginnis has lived an unusual life centered in large measure on alpine skiing, and

Whereas, he was born in Greece and grew up on Parnassos Mountain, where his father operated a ski school, and

Whereas, during the second winter of his life, his parents put him on skis, and his love of the sport was soon sealed, and

Whereas, as a teenager, his family relocated to Waitsfield, in order that AJ could attend the ski racing program at the Green Mountain Valley School, and

Whereas, after graduating, he was nominated to the U.S. Ski team, and

Whereas, AJ Ginnis is a member of the U.S. Men's Alpine team and the 2014–2015 Europa Cup Tech team, and

Whereas, the skiing experts have acknowledged AJ Ginnis's fantastic skiing skill as he is now ranked as the top under 21 years of age U.S. male slalom and giant slalom skier, and

Whereas, a memorable highlight of AJ Ginnis's current ski racing season was winning a bronze medal in the slalom at the 2015 Junior World Championships in Hafjell, Norway, and

Whereas, AJ Ginnis has also set high academic goals, having been admitted to Dartmouth College where he intends to study after a temporary deferral for skiing competition, now therefore be it

## Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Alexander (AJ) Ginnis on winning a bronze medal in the men's slalom at the 2015 Junior World Championships, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to AJ Ginnis.