

# State of Vermont

## Senate Chamber



### Montpelier, Vermont

### Senate Resolution

By Senators Miller, Ayer, Bartlett, Brock, Campbell, Carris, Choate, Cummings, Doyle, Flanagan, Flory, Giard, Hartwell, Illuzzi, Kitchel, Kittell, Lyons, MacDonald, Mazza, McCormack, Mullin, Nitka, Racine, Scott, Sears, Shumlin, Snelling, Starr and White,

**S.R. 21.** Senate resolution honoring Dr. Nina Lynn Meyerhof for her international leadership as an educator and peace advocate.

*Whereas*, Dr. Nina Lynn Meyerhof is a distinguished international educator and peace advocate who works to bring the diverse "human family into holistic communication and mutual understanding," and

*Whereas*, the breadth of her professional activities is truly remarkable as she has traveled to nearly 50 nations, including Brazil, Ghana, Holland, India, Nepal, Spain, Switzerland and Thailand, often in concert with the United Nations and other leading international organizations, as a leader and facilitator of educational and intercultural programs designed to promote peace, and

*Whereas*, for Dr. Meyerhof, "peace is more than the absence of war," rather "it is a state of Being," and

*Whereas*, she graduated from the City College of New York, earned master's degrees in special education from Columbia University Teachers' College and in counseling from Keene State College, and she completed her formal education at the University of Massachusetts, which awarded her a certificate of advanced graduate studies in school psychology and a doctorate in educational policy, research and administration, and

*Whereas*, Dr. Meyerhof, who for many years resided in Newfane, served as the special education coordinator for the Windham Southeast Supervisory Union, and

*Whereas*, seeking to combine her interests in education and promoting peace and holistic communities, Dr. Meyerhof founded and is the president of South Burlington-based Children of the Earth, an educational nonprofit group that the United Nations has designated an official nongovernmental organization which promotes "global consciousness and cooperation, multi-cultural understanding, spiritual values, ethical living skills, and social responsibility," and

*Whereas*, under Dr. Meyerhof's leadership, Children of the Earth offers leadership programs focused on peace-making, educational workshops at national and international forums, and an international network of peace-building coalitions and the organization was a key player in the formation of the Vermont Peace Academy, and

*Whereas*, on September 11, 2001, Dr. Meyerhof happened to be in New York City and helped organize a "Kids Korner" at the Red Cross Amory and the pier as "a safe haven for the children of all the victims," and

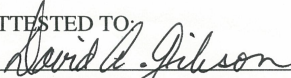
*Whereas*, Dr. Meyerhof has authored or co-authored several books on topics related to peace and education and is the recipient of international awards for her work as a peace advocate, *now therefore be it*

#### **Resolved by the Senate:**

That the Senate of the State of Vermont honors Dr. Nina Lynn Meyerhof for her international leadership as an educator and peace advocate, *and be it further*

**Resolved:** That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dr. Nina Lynn Meyerhof at Children of the Earth in South Burlington.

  
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BRIAN DUBÉ  
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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David A. Gibson  
Secretary of the Senate

DATE: April 8, 2010