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Grammar School Students are “Lt. Governor for a Day” as Part of Virtual Program in the Vermont State House

Montpelier, Vt. — On Wednesday, March 24th, 2021 Grammar School students visited the Vermont State House virtually as part of Lt. Governor Gray’s “Lt. Governor for a Day” program.

Launched in February, the bi-weekly virtual program aims to connect Vermont classrooms and students with State government, the legislative process, and the inner-working of the Lt. Governor’s Office and State House.

Grammar School teacher Ms. Kathy Richardson and sixth grade students met with Lt. Governor Gray via Zoom in advance of the 1:00pm convening of the Vermont Senate, over which the Lt. Governor presides from the Senate Chamber. Senators have been joining virtually throughout the session. Lt. Governor Gray recognized the students during the proceedings while they watched the live session via YouTube.

“These students are our future and I’m deeply inspired by their interest in current events and the inner-workings of state government,” Gray said. “I hope these students feel that our Vermont State House is as much theirs as it is elected officials and advocates. I also hope that as our future leaders, they feel government is accessible and participation is possible.”

“I’m so impressed with their genuine interest in state government and for their thoughtful questions and ideas,” Gray added. “When asked what they would do as Lt. Governor, I was deeply moved to learn of their priorities of addressing climate change, racism, and the opioid epidemic, among other urgent issues facing our communities.”

Senator Becca Balint and Representative Mike Mrowicki, who represent Windham District, were invited to attend, and were able to take questions from the students, as well.

Representative Mike Mrowicki concluded that, “Meeting with students is one of the most enjoyable parts of being a legislator in Vermont. Meeting with Kathy Richardson’s 6th grade class is a treat to hear the thoughtful and well-informed questions and suggestions from her students.



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The only downside this year, is that we weren't able to meet in person and to follow up with an in-person visit at the Statehouse. Hopefully, we can do so next year.”

The “Lt. Governor for a Day” program will continue every other Wednesday from roughly 12:00 – 2:00pm throughout the 2021 Legislative session. More information can be found here:

<https://ltgov.vermont.gov/ltgovernorforaday>

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