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"Recycling Rule\$" Awards Recognize School Recycling Achievements

EPSOM, NH– The Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA), New Hampshire the Beautiful and NRRA's School Recycling CLUB presented eleven awards to teachers, students and groups who have started, expanded and/or sustained their school recycling programs. The awards were presented at the 9th Annual School Recycling Conference on May 22, 2018 at the Manchester Downtown Hotel in Manchester, NH.

"We are committed to supporting and recognizing the recycling efforts of schools," said Michael Durfor, NRRA Executive Director. "NRRA knows students are tomorrow's recyclers, consumers and environmental leaders. Sustainable school recycling programs depend on students, teachers and facility staff all working in concert. Through its innovative "Town and Gown" recycling program, NRRA helps bring schools and the town transfer facilities together to



increase recycling and reduce costs. The NRRA School CLUB also recognized Queen Elizabeth II and 12-year-old Nadia Sparkes of the United Kingdom for their recent recycling initiatives. Both of their programs epitomize the Recycling Rule\$ Conference theme."

For nomination details on each recipient, visit The School Recycling CLUB's Conference website page at www.schoolrecycling.net/conferences/2018-conference/

2017/2018 SCHOOL RECYCLING AWARD RECIPIENTS:

Special Recognition Award – Keynote Musical Skit Allenstown Elementary Drama Club, Allenstown, NH

NH the Beautiful School Recycling Innovation Award Steve Watson, Inter-Lakes Elementary School, Meredith, NH

Team Earth Best of the Best Gold AwardMilford Middle School, Milford, NH

Best Earth Day EventMilford Middle School, Milford, NH

Outstanding Work Study Student Recycler
Gabriel Clark, Hollis Brookline High School, Hollis, NH

Outstanding Community Involvement

Wendy Berkeley, Somersworth Farm to School Program, Somersworth, NH

Facilities Staff Recycler of the Year

Tim Phillips, White Mountains Regional High School, Whitefield, NH

School Recycler of the Year

Mike McGuinness, Oyster River Middle School, Durham, NH

Teacher Recycler of the Year

Chelsea Petereit, Lancaster Elementary School, Lancaster, NH

Special Recognition Award – Banning Plastics at Royal Properties

Queen Elizabeth II, London, UK

Special Recognition Award – Team Trash Girl Initiative

Nadia Sparkes, Hellesdon High School, Norwich, UK

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About NRRA's School Recycling CLUB

The School Recycling CLUB (The CLUB) is a non-profit group that assists schools in implementing, maintaining and improving recycling programs. The CLUB is managed by NRRA. The CLUB offers school groups a chance to join a program that will help them promote or advance their efforts, network with other school groups, and stimulate school recycling, reducing waste and saving energy. To learn more, visit www.schoolrecycling.net

About New Hampshire the Beautiful

New Hampshire the Beautiful (NHtB) is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) Charitable Trust supported by members of the NH Soft Drink Association, the Beverage Distributors of New Hampshire Association and the New Hampshire Grocers Association. This collaborative effort by food and beverage companies has developed comprehensive programs to address, litter issues, recycling challenges, environmental awareness and education. To learn more, visit www.nhthebeautiful.org

About Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA)

Since 1981, NRRA has acted a clearinghouse for current, up-to-date information and a source of technical and marketing assistance in the general areas of waste reduction and recycling. NRRA is a member driven organization made up of over 400 municipalities, individuals, and businesses in New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Southern Maine. NRRA is a non-profit 501(c) organization.