## No. R-69. House concurrent resolution in memory of Deryl J. Stowell.

(H.C.R.50)

Offered by: Representatives Huntley of Cavendish, Clarkson of Woodstock, Dakin of Chester, Devereux of Mount Holly, Eastman of Orwell, Evans of Essex, Long of Newfane, Masland of Thetford, Murphy of Fairfax, Patt of Worcester, Sibilia of Dover, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Toll of Danville, Troiano of Stannard, Walz of Barre City, Yantachka of Charlotte, and Zagar of Barnard

Whereas, Deryl Stowell maintained a strong affinity for the town of Cavendish, especially its wooded beauty, and

Whereas, he was born nearby in Chester and graduated from Black River High School, and

Whereas, except for his United States Army service, Deryl Stowell's life was based in central Vermont, and for over 50 years lived with his wife, Jennifer Stowell, in the Proctorsville section of Cavendish, and

Whereas, although he was employed as the garage manager for his parents automotive business, Stowell Buick, Deryl Stowell worked as a self-employed logger for over 40 years, and

Whereas, Deryl Stowell loved to be outdoors, whether working, playing golf, hunting, or snowmobiling, and

<u>Whereas</u>, as a lover of local history and expert on local landmarks, Deryl Stowell enjoyed sharing his knowledge with others who shared a similar interest, and

Whereas, in the 1980s, Deryl Stowell served on the Cavendish Planning Commission, and

<u>Whereas</u>, for 19 years, beginning in 1995, Deryl Stowell assumed the role of Cavendish Tree Warden, a position for which he brought extensive expertise, and

Whereas, his acquaintance with the town's wooded acreage also made him ideally suited to serve on the town's ancient road's committee in 2008–2009, and

Whereas, a special passion for Deryl Stowell was his involvement with the Cavendish Green Mountain Snow Fleas, a snowmobiling club, and

Whereas, as one of the club's founding members, he was instrumental in securing permission from landowners to allow snowmobiling trails on their property, and he served as the Snow Fleas' unofficial historian, and

Whereas, at his death at 83 years of age, on September 26, 2014, Deryl Stowell was serving as the club's vice president, and

<u>Whereas</u>, survivors include his wife, Jennifer, his daughter, Sara, grandchildren, Magali and Elias, his sister, Joy, and many extended family members, now therefore be it

## Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Deryl Stowell, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jennifer Stowell and the Green Mountain Snow Fleas Club.