

NO. R-31. SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE
GREATER WEATHER FORTITUDE OF THE VERMONT GENERAL
ASSEMBLY IN COMPARISON TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE GENERAL
COURT.

(S.C.R.8)

By Senators Carris, Hartwell, Sears and Shumlin,

By Representative Shand of Weathersfield

Whereas, the state of New Hampshire can take great pride in its illustrious political forebears, such as Daniel Webster and Franklin Pierce, for whom rugged peaks in the White Mountains are named, symbolizing both men's courage and strength of character, and

Whereas, the state of Vermont is equally proud of its early political leaders, including Ethan Allen, who was instrumental in organizing the first Vermont Militia, the Green Mountain Boys, and Matthew Lyon, each of whom were imprisoned for his support of civil liberties and freedom from tyranny, and

Whereas, each of these gentlemen embodied an ability to overcome adverse conditions and challenges that his governmental descendants, the members of the New Hampshire General Court and the Vermont General Assembly supposedly inherited and continue to draw upon in the 21st century, and

Whereas, sadly for the citizens of the Granite State, these seemingly obvious, undeniable and historic presumptions were refuted and shattered on the morning of January 28, 2008, when the mere forecast of a large snowfall, nary a blizzard, sent its trembling solons to the protection of their homesteads, and

Whereas, while the New Hampshire General Court was forsaking the majestic halls of the state house in Concord, the Vermont General Assembly learning of a not dissimilar weather forecast for the Green Mountain State rolled up its law-making sleeves and continued to perform its legislative duties, and

Whereas, the fortitude and moral fiber of the Green Mountain Boys endures in the members of the Vermont General Assembly in contrast to the actions of their colleagues on the Connecticut River's eastern bank, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly wishes the members of the New Hampshire General Court a comfy snooze on a typical northern New England day, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Terie Norelli, Speaker of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, and to Sylvia Larsen, President of the New Hampshire Senate.