

No. R-326. House concurrent resolution in memory of Representative Richard Hube of Londonderry.

(H.C.R.232)

Offered by: All members of the House of Representatives

Offered by: All members of the Senate

Whereas, Representative Richard (Rick) Hube served the citizens of the Windham-Bennington-Windsor-1 House district effectively and enthusiastically for the past decade, faithfully remaining a respected leader in Montpelier and a good neighbor at home, and

Whereas, Representative Rick Hube maintained a following of dedicated “fans,” as evidenced by the multiplicity of his distinctive “Pick Rick” campaign signs and ball caps, and

Whereas, as a famously intelligent public servant, he meticulously researched all his public policy stances prior to presenting them publicly, and

Whereas, he conducted pointedly precise interrogations during floor debate that were always devoid of personal rancor and frequently contained generous sprinklings of humor, and

Whereas, as an impassioned advocate for all Vermont taxpayers, Representative Rick Hube helped craft a bipartisan compromise to fix Act 60, and

Whereas, although Representative Rick Hube was perhaps best known for his continuing work on matters pertaining to education finance and property taxes, his personal legislative radar was far wider in scope, and

Whereas, his House Republican colleagues selected him to lead their caucus in the 2002 redistricting negotiations, and in 2005 they elected him as their beloved floor leader, and

Whereas, as a great promoter of the state of Vermont throughout the rest of the United States and abroad, Representative Rick Hube recently accompanied Governor James Douglas on an international trade mission to both the People's Republic of China and Taiwan in search of new economic development partnerships for Vermont, and

Whereas, Representative Rick Hube took great pride and satisfaction in his many legislative friendships that crossed the partisan divide, and he was known to instigate a good-natured joke in the cause of lightening the inevitable tensions of a legislative day, and

Whereas, a native of Connecticut, Rick Hube graduated from Colgate University, served as a ski patroller in the late 1970s, was promoted to the position of personnel director for the Bromley and Stratton Mountain ski areas, and in 1990 formed his own business, Hube, Inc., and

Whereas, in recent years, Representative Rick Hube had worked hard to develop a healthy lifestyle and had resumed his much loved athletic activities, and

Whereas, sadly, Representative Rick Hube died in December 2009 while visiting family in Florida, and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly were shocked and saddened to learn of Representative Rick Hube's untimely death at age 62, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its most sincere condolences to the family of Representative Richard Hube of Londonderry, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to his sister, Jane Louttit in Maitland, Florida.