

**No. R-357. House concurrent resolution in memory of Peter S. Clark of Londonderry.**

(H.C.R.258)

Offered by: Representative Olsen of Jamaica

Whereas, Peter Clark grew up in Greenwich, Connecticut, and graduated from Cornell University, and

Whereas, upon moving to Vermont, Peter Clark became immersed in municipal government and served in many local and regional roles, both elected and appointed, throughout his adult life, and

Whereas, he first settled in Winhall, where he held the positions of auditor and lister, and after he relocated to Londonderry, Peter Clark assumed many leadership roles in that town, and

Whereas, one of his jobs was serving as the Londonderry zoning administrator during a time when the town was experiencing an increase in residential construction of both year-round and second homes due to the town's proximity to ski resorts, and

Whereas, Peter Clark's zoning expertise was also put to good use while he served on the zoning board of adjustment, and he repeated his role as a lister which he had performed so well in Winhall, and

Whereas, for a remarkable 40 years, Peter Clark was a Londonderry justice of the peace, and while also serving on the board of civil authority, as does every justice of the peace, he chaired that panel for a period of time, and

Whereas, Bennington and Springfield called upon Peter Clark's knowledge of municipal finance and taxation when he served terms as tax assessor in each town, and

Whereas, Peter Clark became a respected authority on the assessment of land valuation for purposes of municipal taxation, and the Vermont Division of Property Valuation and Review (PVR) selected him as a district advisor, and in this role, he provided much-appreciated training and assistance to listers in 64 towns, and

Whereas, Peter Clark proudly exercised his best independent judgment on issues before him, and

Whereas, other PVR district advisors and listers throughout his district found Peter Clark to be a wonderful mentor and teacher, and he had a calming impact at difficult moments, and

Whereas, Peter Clark actively participated in Town Meeting Day activities, and for relaxation played golf and skied, and

Whereas, in his personal life, he was married to his wife, Sandra, for 41 years, and they were the parents of three sons, Douglas, Peter Jr., and John, and two daughters, Lisa and Heather, and were the proud grandparents of 10 grandchildren, and

Whereas, his life of public service ended on November 17, 2009, with his death at the age of 79, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its condolences to the family of Peter S. Clark on the passing of this much-respected Vermonter, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Sandra Clark in Londonderry.