

No. R-260. House concurrent resolution in memory of Mr. Vermont, Elbert (Al) Moulton.

(H.C.R.197)

Offered by: Representatives Olsen of Jamaica, Condon of Colchester, Acinapura of Brandon, Ancel of Calais, Andrews of Rutland City, Aswad of Burlington, Atkins of Winooski, Bissonnette of Winooski, Bohi of Hartford, Botzow of Pownal, Bouchard of Colchester, Branagan of Georgia, Brennan of Colchester, Browning of Arlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Buxton of Royalton, Canfield of Fair Haven, Cheney of Norwich, Clarkson of Woodstock, Conquest of Newbury, Corcoran of Bennington, Courcelle of Rutland City, Crawford of Burke, Deen of Westminster, Degree of St. Albans City, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donaghy of Poultney, Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington, Eckhardt of Chittenden, Edwards of Brattleboro, Fagan of Rutland City, Fisher of Lincoln, Font-Russell of Rutland City, Frank of Underhill, French of Shrewsbury, Grad of Moretown, Greshin of Warren, Haas of Rochester, Head of South Burlington, Hebert of Vernon, Helm of Fair Haven, Howard of Cambridge, Howrigan of Fairfield, Hubert of Milton, Jewett of Ripton, Johnson of Canaan, Keenan of St. Albans City, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Klein of East Montpelier, Koch of Barre Town, Komline of Dorset, Kupersmith of South Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Larocque of Barnet, Larson of Burlington, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lenes of Shelburne, Lippert of Hinesburg, Malcolm of Pawlet, Manwaring of Wilmington, Marcotte of Coventry, Martin of Springfield, Masland of Thetford, McAllister of Highgate, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Moran of Wardsboro, Morrissey of Bennington, Munger of South Burlington, Myers of Essex, Partridge of Windham, Pearce of Richford, Pearson of Burlington, Peaslee of Guildhall, Perley of Enosburgh, Poirier of Barre City, Potter of Clarendon, Pugh of South Burlington, Ralston of Middlebury, Ram of Burlington, Reis of St. Johnsbury, Scheuermann of Stowe, Shand of Weathersfield, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Smith of New Haven, South of St. Johnsbury, Stevens of Shoreham, Stuart of Brattleboro, Taylor of Barre City, Till of Jericho, Toll of Danville, Trieber of Rockingham, Turner of Milton, Weston of Burlington, Wilson of Manchester, Wizowaty of Burlington, Wright of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte and Young of Albany

Offered by: Senators Ashe, Ayer, Benning, Brock, Campbell, Carris, Doyle, Flory, Fox, Galbraith, Giard, Hartwell, Illuzzi, Kitchel, Kittell, Lyons, Mazza, McCormack, Miller, Mullin, Nitka, Pollina, Sears, Snelling, Starr, Westman and White

Whereas, in his role as economic development chief for the state of Vermont under four governors, Elbert (Al) Moulton was a passionate advocate for both expanding economic activity and the enactment of landmark environmental legislation in the belief that these were complementary and not conflicting goals, and

Whereas, a native of Maine, Al Moulton served in the United States Navy during World War II and graduated from the University of Maine with a degree in journalism, and

Whereas, after working as a journalist in Maine, he relocated to Vermont, leading both the Brattleboro and Rutland chambers of commerce, and

Whereas, in 1964, Governor Philip Hoff asked Al Moulton to serve as the chief economic development officer for the state of Vermont, and

Whereas, Al Moulton served governors Philip Hoff, Deane Davis, Richard Snelling, and Madeleine Kunin most ably regardless of their partisan affiliation, and

Whereas, his ability to work successfully for governors of both political parties was a testament to his professionalism, and

Whereas, he was personally a staunch Republican who while state party chair once rode an elephant into a party dinner, and at the same dinner, two persons dressed as Governor Phil Hoff and Lieutenant Governor John Daley followed behind carrying shovels, and

Whereas, in the environmental arena, in 1968, Al Moulton played a pivotal leadership role in the enactment of Act 333, the state's billboard law, and two years later, he performed the same function with equal effectiveness in helping to rally support for Act 250, and

Whereas, in recognition of his contemporaneous achievements on the economic and environmental fronts, Al Moulton earned the honorary title of Mr. Vermont, and

Whereas, after an illustrious life, Al Moulton has died at the age of 85, and survivors include his daughter, Deputy Secretary of Commerce and Community Development Patricia Moulton Powden, three sons, Robert of Duxbury, David of Whitingham and Dan of Calgary, Alberta, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its condolences to the family of Mr. Vermont, Elbert (Al) Moulton, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of his children.