

No. R-284. Senate concurrent resolution recognizing the dedicated public service and career accomplishments of retired Rutland City Police Chief Anthony Bossi.

(S.C.R.26)

By Senators Flory, Carris, Mullin and Nitka,

By Representatives Andrews of Rutland City, Courcelle of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Russell of Rutland City, McNeil of Rutland Town, Acinapura of Brandon, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Eckhardt of Chittenden, French of Shrewsbury, Haas of Rochester, Helm of Fair Haven, Malcolm of Pawlet, Potter of Clarendon and Shaw of Pittsford,

Whereas, among the most demanding and strenuous occupations for municipal employees is that of a police officer, and

Whereas, police officers are charged with keeping the peace and order in their communities and on occasion must place their lives in danger to fulfill this vital mission, and

Whereas, retiring Rutland City Police Chief Anthony Bossi devoted 35 years to serving the citizens of Rutland City as a police officer, demonstrating outstanding technical skills and leadership abilities as he rose through the ranks, and

Whereas, Anthony Bossi began his career in the Rutland City Police Department in 1976, joining the force as a patrolman, and

Whereas, in 1979, after three years assigned to general patrol duties and the diverse experiences associated with being a patrolman, Anthony Bossi began his ascent up the career ladder when he was promoted to the rank of detective, and

Whereas, soon thereafter in 1980, Detective Bossi was designated a shift commander, and in 1982, he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant, and

Whereas, he continued to impress his colleagues and supervisors and by 1987 had achieved the rank of deputy chief, and

Whereas, Anthony Bossi's career trajectory proceeded to the pinnacle of the department's staffing hierarchy when the City of Rutland named him as its police chief, beginning a 13-year tenure during which he continually tackled the challenges of urban public safety protection in the 21st century, and

Whereas, on January 3, 2011, after 35 years of dedicated public service on behalf of the citizens of Rutland City, Anthony Bossi concluded his tenure as police chief and as a respected public safety official, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the dedicated public service and career accomplishments of retired Rutland City Police Chief Anthony Bossi and extends best wishes for an enjoyable retirement, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to retired Rutland City Police Chief Anthony Bossi.