

No. R-189. House concurrent resolution honoring David Clark for his outstanding leadership as Director of the Ilsley Library in Middlebury.

(H.C.R.137)

Offered by: Representatives Nuovo of Middlebury and Ralston of Middlebury

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Bray

Whereas, for over 16 years, David Clark served as Director of the Ilsley Library in Middlebury, making it an increasingly important community resource, and

Whereas, David Clark's directorship has coincided with the expansion of library digitization, and under his expert guidance, the Ilsley Library has embraced the advantages of this technology while continuing to welcome bibliophiles who prefer the printed word in a traditionally bound book, and

Whereas, in 2003, the Ilsley Library was renovated, with the expansion of the side entrance, the installation of a new circulation desk, the addition of new office space, and the introduction of air conditioning, and

Whereas, in 2004, the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science awarded a Blue Ribbon Award to the Ilsley Library for its Collier Health Information Collection, and

Whereas, in 2005, the online catalog was updated and new services were introduced, including the ability to search all online library catalogues in Vermont and online request and renewal of books and digital materials, and

Whereas, in 2008, audiobooks could be downloaded from the library's website, and

Whereas, David Clark has served as President of the Vermont Library Association and has been active in the Addison County Libraries Association, the Better Middlebury Partnership, and the Middlebury Rotary, and in 2011 he led a Rotary Exchange to South Africa, and

Whereas, a special passion for David Clark is the Opera Company of Middlebury, with which he has been associated since its inception, and for the past six years he has served as president of this respected arts organization, and

Whereas, in 2012, the Addison County Chamber of Commerce awarded to David Clark its Buster Brush Citizen of the Year Award, and the 2012 Middlebury Town Report was dedicated in his honor, and

Whereas, David Clark concluded his extremely successful directorship of the Ilsley Library on March 15, 2013, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors David Clark for his outstanding leadership as Director of the Ilsley Library in Middlebury, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to David Clark and to the Ilsley Library.