

No. R-344. House concurrent resolution recognizing the significant health care role of the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice.

(H.C.R.249)

Offered by: Representatives Cupoli of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Devereux of Mount Holly, Donaghy of Poultney, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Gallivan of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Malcolm of Pawlet, Potter of Clarendon, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Flory, French, and Mullin

Whereas, for many Vermonters recovering from an illness or with limited mobility, access to home-based health care is essential, and

Whereas, since 1946, the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice (RAVNAH), a nonprofit and Medicaid-certified organization, has delivered home health services with compassion, dependability, and expertise, and

Whereas, the mission of RAVNAH is “to enhance the quality of life for (everyone) it serves,” and

Whereas, the organization’s vision “is to be the best provider of home and community based health care in Vermont,” and

Whereas, RAVNAH takes pride in adhering to a set of core philosophical and administrative values summarized in the acronym HEALTH, and

Whereas, the components of this acronym are honesty, excellence, accountability, leadership, teamwork, and helpfulness, and

Whereas, RAVNAH provides a full range of personalized health care services “that allow patients to recover more quickly” and that facilitate any necessary changes in the type of care while maintaining a patient’s independence and dignity, and

Whereas, the constant themes of dedication, innovation, and trust pervade RAVNAH’s delivery of health and hospice services to individuals in the Rutland area, and

Whereas, representatives of RAVNAH are visiting the State House today, February 26, 2014, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the significant health care role of the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice, and be it further

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