

**No. R-354. House concurrent resolution honoring Ferrisburgh Town Clerk and Treasurer Chester Hawkins.**

(H.C.R.258)

Offered by: Representatives Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh and Lanpher of Vergennes

Whereas, the essence of Vermont town government is individuals who serve their communities and fellow citizens with a special dedication and passion, and

Whereas, these municipally focused public servants demonstrate portfolio flexibility and a willingness to pitch in wherever their services can be best applied, and

Whereas, a wonderful embodiment of this community-centered citizen is Chet Hawkins of Ferrisburgh, and

Whereas, for 35 years, the voters of Ferrisburgh have come to know Chet Hawkins as a reliable and trustworthy public servant and neighbor who is always willing to go the extra mile to fulfill his legal and ethical municipal government obligations, and

Whereas, the diversity of roles Chet Hawkins has played in Ferrisburgh town government is commendable, and

Whereas, Chet Hawkins is well acquainted with his town's properties and development having served as zoning administrator, and

Whereas, he gained an intimate familiarity with Ferrisburgh's finances during his terms as collector of delinquent taxes and, more recently, town treasurer, and

Whereas, law and order were also part of his municipal public service beat as he is the town's former first constable, and

Whereas, in his most recent combined roles as Ferrisburgh Town Clerk and Treasurer, as well as school district treasurer, Chet Hawkins has drawn on his vast local knowledge and experience to provide the best possible administrative and financial services, and

Whereas, from overseeing municipal records and supervising elections to managing the town's monies, Chet Hawkins is proficient in each of his responsibilities, and

Whereas, after 35 years of consistent excellence, Chet Hawkins will conclude his municipal government tenure on Town Meeting Day 2014 while performing his duties checking in voters, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Ferrisburgh Town Clerk and Treasurer Chester Hawkins for his 35 years of exemplary public service, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Chet Hawkins in Ferrisburgh.