

State of Vermont Senate Chamber



Montpelier, Vermont

Senate Concurrent Resolution

By Senators McAllister, Collins, French, Pollina, Rodgers, and White,

By Representatives Beyor of Highgate, Brennan of Colchester, Connor of Fairfield, Consejo of Sheldon, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Keenan of St. Albans City, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Mitchell of Fairfax, Pearce of Richford, Savage of Swanton, and Weed of Enosburgh,

S.C.R. 61. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Franklin County Deputy Sheriff Corporal Brendan McKenney and Enosburgh Ambulance Officer Dean Scott for their heroic rescue efforts in Montgomery.

Whereas, on April 15, 2014, flood waters were raging on Longley Bridge Road in Montgomery, and this sudden surge trapped a woman in her truck, threatening her life, and

Whereas, due to the weather, local fire and rescue crews were blocked from quickly getting to the scene, and

Whereas, Corporal Brendan McKenney, an eight-year Franklin County Deputy Sheriff, was the first emergency responder on the scene, and

Whereas, after several valiant attempts, and with the flood waters posing a rapidly increasing threat, Corporal McKenney jumped from the tractor a local resident brought to the scene onto the truck's roof, and

Whereas, from this perilous location, Corporal McKenney was able to break the window on the driver's side of the truck, and

Whereas, he pulled the woman, who was dazed from being in the cold water for over an hour, onto the bed of the truck and tied the rope around her, connecting the two of them, and

Whereas, they headed for the tractor, but were swept off their feet by the strong current, and

Whereas, Dean Scott, of the Enosburgh Ambulance Service, had arrived on the scene, and, without a second thought, jumped into the water to assist Corporal McKenney, and

Whereas, as a result of Corporal McKenney's and Officer Scott's willingness to place their own lives in great danger, the woman was saved, and

Whereas, both of these brave first responders were honored at a press event held the next day at the Franklin County Sheriff's headquarters, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Franklin County Deputy Sheriff Corporal Brendan McKenney and Enosburgh Ambulance Officer Dean Scott for their heroic rescue efforts in Montgomery, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the emergency responders honored in this resolution.