

No. R-265. House concurrent resolution designating January 8, 2016 as Martin St. Louis Day.

(H.C.R.194)

Offered by: Representatives Krebs of South Hero, Beyor of Highgate, Brennan of Colchester, Connor of Fairfield, Deen of Westminster, Hubert of Milton, Jerman of Essex, Lefebvre of Newark, Lenos of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Macaig of Williston, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Murphy of Fairfax, and Poirier of Barre City

Whereas, of all the players who have skated in a University of Vermont (UVM) Catamount hockey uniform, Laval, Quebec native Martin St. Louis ranks in a class all his own, and

Whereas, over the course of his 139-game UVM career (1993–1997), Martin St. Louis scored 91 goals, was responsible for 176 assists, and tallied 267 points, a still-standing Catamount scoring record, and

Whereas, as a junior, Martin St. Louis earned the Catamounts' team captaincy, and that season UVM won its first Eastern College Athletic Conference regular season title and appeared in the National Collegiate Athletic Association's (NCAA) Frozen Four hockey championship, and

Whereas, as a senior, Martin St. Louis again led the Catamounts to an NCAA championship tournament berth, and UVM awarded him the J. Edward Donnelly Award as the school's top male senior athlete, and

Whereas, Martin St. Louis was a three-time All American and a repeat contender for the NCAA's prestigious Hobey Baker Award, presented to the nation's top collegiate hockey player, and

Whereas, despite a grueling hockey schedule, Martin St. Louis graduated with a double major, and

Whereas, despite no National Hockey League (NHL) team's drafting him, Martin St. Louis proceeded to play an illustrious 16-season NHL career, scoring 391 goals, executing 642 assists; earning the Art Ross Trophy for NHL top scorer (twice) and the Hart Memorial Trophy for most valuable player; playing in six NHL All-Star games; and helping lead the 2004 Tampa Bay Lightning to the NHL championship and the Stanley Cup, and

Whereas, in 2007, UVM inducted Martin St. Louis into the university's athletic hall of fame, and, in 2012, the UVM Alumni Association presented him its alumni achievement award, and

Whereas, Martin St. Louis was a member of the 2014 Canadian Olympic championship hockey team, and

Whereas, in 2015, Martin St. Louis retired from the NHL, and the UVM hockey program will honor him, now the proud coach of his three sons' youth hockey teams, at

Martin St. Louis Night festivities to be held at Gutterson Fieldhouse on Friday evening, January 8, 2016, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates January 8, 2016 as Martin St. Louis Day, and be it further

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