

**No. R-354. House concurrent resolution honoring Tinmouth's civic-minded citizen, Hollis G. Squier.**

(H.C.R.269)

Offered by: Representatives Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Burditt of West Rutland, Potter of Clarendon, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Gage of Rutland City, Haas of Rochester, Helm of Fair Haven, McCoy of Poultney, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Whereas, Hollis Squier's father instilled in him a duty to assist those in need, and, at 15 years of age, Hollis Squier joined the Tinmouth Volunteer Fire Department, and

Whereas, for the past 45 years, he has served with pride as a department member, assistant chief, or chief, and

Whereas, Hollis Squier has served Tinmouth as a member of the planning commission and of the board of zoning adjustment and as town agent, and

Whereas, his tenure as Tinmouth Road Commissioner was certainly among the longest for any road commissioner in the State, and his accomplishments in this post were both immediate and of enduring importance, and

Whereas, the voters of Tinmouth first elected Hollis Squier as road commissioner in 1979, when he was 23 years of age, and his selection prompted comments that he was too young for the job, and

Whereas, despite the skepticism, he proved more than capable of meeting the job's challenges, and

Whereas, in 1979, Tinmouth's road-clearing vehicles consisted of the City of Montpelier's discarded 1948 trucks, and

Whereas, under Hollis Squier's leadership, the town modernized the fleet, established a regular vehicle replacement schedule, and created an equipment fund, and

Whereas, on inclement winter days, he would awaken at 3:00 a.m. to check the weather and determine whether road plowing was required, and

Whereas, in 1988, Hollis Squier was awarded statewide recognition when he was named Municipal Highway Person of the Year, and

Whereas, by December 31, 2015, when he retired as Tinmouth Road Commissioner, the condition of the town's highways had improved immensely, and

Whereas, Hollis Squier continues to serve enthusiastically in the unique municipal office of "Town Hugger," having gained international notoriety for his exceptional job performance, and

Whereas, Hollis Squier, deservedly, has been honored with a special dedication in the 2015 Tinmouth Annual Report, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Tinmouth's civic-minded citizen Hollis G. Squier, and be it further

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