

**No. R-490. House concurrent resolution honoring Peter Deslauriers for his civic, educational, and athletic leadership.**

(H.C.R.411)

Offered by: Representatives Parent of St. Albans Town, Keenan of St. Albans City, and Dickinson of St. Albans Town

Offered by: Senator Degree

Whereas, first and foremost, Peter Deslauriers is an educator and 42-year veteran science faculty member at the St. Albans City School, and

Whereas, in the classroom and, most recently, as a member of the grades 7–8 Team USA Learning Community, Peter Deslauriers has focused on providing each child the best possible learning experience, and

Whereas, he has taught an estimated 3,500–4,000 students, and

Whereas, Peter Deslauriers’s St. Albans City School colleagues admire his pedagogic talent, and

Whereas, educating youth is a special joy for Peter Deslauriers that is not limited to the classroom, and

Whereas, he has coached many sports, such as basketball, baseball, softball, hockey (including coaching youngsters as young as the one-half ice mite level), and soccer, and

Whereas, for a number of summers, he was a co-supervisor at the St. Albans City pool, and

Whereas, further afield, for 26 years, Peter Deslauriers has worked at the Vermont Soccer School, conducted at Middlebury College, coaching or serving as a division director or administrative director, and

Whereas, away from the classroom and sports venues, for 12 years (1994–2006), Peter Deslauriers served as St. Albans City’s exemplary mayor, and

Whereas, he brought the same passion and commitment to his city leadership that has marked his role as a public school teacher and coach, and

Whereas, the *Burlington Free Press* and *St. Albans Messenger* praised his mayoralty, and

Whereas, subsequently, Peter Deslauriers chaired the St. Albans City Crime Task Force, and

Whereas, in 2016, after 42 years of introducing students to the wonders of science, Peter Deslauriers, the father of Dan, Adam, Katie, and Jacob, and the proud grandfather of 10 grandchildren, is concluding his teaching career at the St. Albans City School, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Peter Deslauriers for his civic, educational, and athletic leadership, and be it further

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