

NO. R-85. HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF
DAVID M. TURNER OF IRASBURG.

(H.C.R.54)

Offered by: Representatives Marcotte of Coventry and Kilmartin of
Newport City

Offered by: Senators Illuzzi and Starr

Whereas, David Turner was a business, civic, and community leader in the
Northeast Kingdom where he resided all of his life, and

Whereas, his many professional and community activities kept him
involved in projects throughout the region, but he was especially dedicated to
serving the citizens of Irasburg, and

Whereas, David Turner served his country as a member of the U.S. Army
from 1962 until 1965, and

Whereas, in the years following his honorable military discharge, he was an
avid member of the Jay Peak Ski Patrol, and

Whereas, David Turner chose banking as his occupational pursuit, and he
proved adept in his field, rising to managerial positions, including vice
president, at both the former Chittenden Trust Company and the Lyndonville
Savings Bank, and

Whereas, his role as a conscientious and respected public servant was a
crucial part of his life, and he brought a sharp mind and good judgment to each
of the many public offices with which he was entrusted, and

Whereas, David Turner's military background served him well during his
tenure as Orleans Police Chief in the late 1960s and early 1970s, and

Whereas, public education was of great personal importance for David Turner, and he contributed to the governance and administration of public schools through his longtime service as a member and chair of the Irasburg school board, in the identical offices on the board of the Orleans Central Supervisory Union, and as the Lakes Region Union High School auditor, and

Whereas, in the town of Irasburg, David Turner sat on the selectboard and most memorably as the fair and unbiased town moderator who presided at town meeting for 31 years, and

Whereas, David Turner was associated with many nonprofit organizations as a member and leader, including the American Legion, the Elks, the American Red Cross, Northeast Kingdom Human Services, and the Salvation Army, and he also was associated with the local court diversion program, and

Whereas, for 40 years, David Turner was a faithful parishioner of the Irasburg United Church, and was involved with the church's fair and Easter sunrise breakfast, and

Whereas, David Turner's life of constant community service concluded with his death on September 12, 2008, and his survivors include his wife, Mary Jane, his daughter, Amy, his son, Michael, and his three grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its condolences to the family of David M. Turner on his death which ended the life of one of the Northeast Kingdom's most admired citizens, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mary Jane Turner in Irasburg.