CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

Text of House Concurrent Resolutions

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Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Representative requests floor consideration before the end of Friday's legislative session. Requests for floor consideration must be communicated to the House Clerk's office.

Resolutions

H.C.R. 16.

House concurrent resolution in memory of Margaret Munt of Williston

Offered by: Representatives Webb of Shelburne, Macaig of Williston, McCullough of Williston, Lenes of Shelburne, and Miller of Shaftsbury

Offered by: Senator Lyons

Whereas, Margaret Munt was a preeminent teacher in the Williston School District, providing leadership to colleagues and outstanding compassion and pedagogical skill to students, and

Whereas, during the 28 years she taught in the Williston School District, Margaret Munt's students experienced unparalleled encouragement and skillfully designed learning opportunities as well as concepts presented in a tuneful and joyful singing voice, and

Whereas, Margaret Munt's initial introduction to her chosen profession was at age 17 and took place when she began work as a preschool teacher at The Children's School in Burlington, and

Whereas, she attended the University of Vermont and was enrolled in the American Primary Education Program (APEX), a specially designed four-semester humanistic curriculum for prospective teachers, and

Whereas, after graduation, she taught at The Schoolhouse parent cooperative before the Williston School District recruited her to join its faculty, and

Whereas, the house system of class organization at the Williston School District enabled Margaret Munt to continue with the same group of students for multiple grades which she viewed as educationally advantageous, and

Whereas, Margaret Munt along with Barbara Ellis also operated the Shelburne Farms Day Camp for 17 years, and

Whereas, Margaret Munt was diagnosed with cancer in June 2011 and took a leave of absence during the fall of that year, and

Whereas, in the spring of 2012, Margaret Munt resumed teaching on a part-time schedule to conclude her 28-year teaching career at the Williston School District on her own terms, and

Whereas, Margaret Munt died on May 31, 2012, leaving her husband, Michael Lyman; daughters, Evangeline Lyman-Munt and Vanessa Ajayi; son-in-law, Olufunto Ajayi; grandson, Asher Akintoye Ajayi; mother, former Senator Janet Munt; brothers, Plummer, Rick, and Newcomb; and the Williston School District community whose fond memories of Margaret Munt as an exceptional teacher and person will endure, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Margaret Munt, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of her family and to the Williston School District.

H.C.R. 17.

House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative Randolph and Beverly Major for their civic and community service in the town of Westminster

Offered by: Representatives Deen of Westminster and Mrowicki of Putney

Offered by: Senators Galbraith and White

<u>Whereas</u>, former Representative Randolph (Randy) and Beverly (Bev) Major have for many decades been among the most enthusiastic community participants in the town of Westminster in the civic, educational, political, and religious spheres, and

Whereas, Bev Randolph has a special affection for the Westminster public school system, having spearheaded the successful effort to add a kindergarten class, been a beloved kindergarten teacher, and served on the local school board, and

Whereas, her interest in broadening the wealth of knowledge includes adults as she rejuvenated the Westminster West library and serves as its librarian, and

Whereas, Bev Major is an active 4-H club leader, and

Whereas, Randy Major has represented the town of Westminster in the Vermont House of Representatives and ran as a candidate for the United States Senate, and

Whereas, he has devoted many hours to identifying Westminster's ancient roads, and

Whereas, both of these civically minded individuals were involved in the establishment and leadership of the Windmill Hill Pinnacle Association, which is dedicated to conserving the scenic lands associated with the Pinnacle, the highest peak in the town of Westminster, and

Whereas, the rebuilding project of the Westminster West church, after a fire destroyed the building, was the beneficiary of their extensive work, and

Whereas, each of these citizen leaders has served as a member of the Westminster Board of Civil Authority, and both remain members of this important municipal panel, and

Whereas, Randy Major has been an active member of the Westminster Democratic town caucus, and Bev Major chaired the organization for many years, and

Whereas, Bev and Randy Major have left an enduring reputation for outstanding citizen service that continues unabated, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Representative Randolph and Beverly Major for their civic and community service in the town of Westminster, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Randy and Bev Major in Westminster.

H.C.R. 18.

House concurrent resolution honoring Winifred Vogt on her receipt of a 2012 Successful Aging Award from Senior Solutions

Offered by: Representatives Deen of Westminster and Mrowicki of Putney

Offered by: Senators Galbraith and White

Whereas, Senior Solutions serves as the Area Agency on Aging for Windham and Windsor counties, and

Whereas, each year, Senior Solutions honors 15 persons age 80 or over as

recipients of the organization's Successful Aging Award, and

Whereas, Successful Aging Award winners are individuals who have demonstrated through deeds and leadership the fostering of strong community, and

Whereas, Winifred (Winnie) Vogt of Dummerston, one of the 2012 winners of the Successful Aging Award, epitomizes the type of active person for whom this honor was established, and

Whereas, Ruth Barton who nominated Winnie Vogt for this award described the honoree as "one of the most active persons, of any age, that I know," and

Whereas, Winnie Vogt's busy life spans the generations, as she is a Sunday school teacher and youth group advisor, and

Whereas, the members of her church know of her excellent service as a deacon, and

Whereas, she regularly participates in the local apple pie festival, and

Whereas, as a member of the Lydia Taft Pratt Library, Winnie Vogt regularly selects books that she brings to senior lunches for attendees to borrow, and

Whereas, Winnie Vogt actively participates in the Retired Teachers' Association, and

Whereas, her active life is not limited to memberships in organizations as she has demonstrated enormous self-initiative and concern for others, and

Whereas, these numerous volunteer roles include visiting the sick and bereaved as well as organizing receptions for funerals and volunteering to organize persons to provide meals to the seriously ill and to transport individuals in need of medical treatment, and

Whereas, Winnie Vogt is a person who is always willing and ready to help her friends and neighbors in need of assistance, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Winifred Vogt on her receipt of a 2012 Successful Aging Award from Senior Solutions, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Winifred Vogt in Dummerston.

H.C.R. 19.

House concurrent resolution designating January as National Mentoring Month in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Gallivan of Chittenden, Burke of Brattleboro, Carr of Brandon, Clarkson of Woodstock, Evans of Essex, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Lanpher of Vergennes, Malcolm of Pawlet, Manwaring of Wilmington, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Potter of Clarendon, Russell of Rutland City, and Vowinkel of Wilder

Whereas, mentoring is "a sustained relationship and friendship between a young person and an adult in which the adult provides the young person with support, guidance, and assistance as the young person develops," and

Whereas, research has consistently shown "that all children need and benefit from responsible, caring adults in their lives," and

Whereas, in 2000, The Permanent Fund for the Well-Being of Vermont Children, recognizing that waiting lists for mentoring programs in Chittenden County were long, met with community leaders on this problem, and then challenged mentoring programs to develop a strategic plan, and

Whereas, this led to the formation of the Chittenden County Mentoring Network, which in turn sought the assistance of the United Way of Chittenden County and the Champlain Initiative, and these organizations established "Mobius, the Mentoring Movement" to improve and coordinate mentoring programs in the county, and

Whereas, Mobius is named after the astronomer and mathematician who defined the Mobius strip as a one-sided, one-edged "continuous strip of paper with a 180-degree twist in the center," effectively an infinite circle of connection, and

Whereas, a Mobius mentor, working in both school and community environments, commits to work with a youngster for one hour a week for a period of one year, and

Whereas, many community organizations both in Chittenden County and throughout the state now provide mentoring programs, and

Whereas, partnerships between business, schools, and other youth service organizations and mentoring programs are an effective way for businesses to support youth in their communities, and

Whereas, collaborative mentoring programs with greater visibility are able to serve more youth, and many young persons are waiting for mentors, and

Whereas, Mobius, which as of January 1, 2013, is a statewide organization, and other private and public mentoring organizations, including the Vermont Mentoring Funders Collaborative, continue to perform this important service for youth in Vermont, and

Whereas, since 2002, January has been designated as National Mentoring Month, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates January as National Mentoring Month in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mobius and the Mentoring Funders Collaborative.

H.C.R. 20.

House concurrent resolution congratulating *The Wake-up Crew with Bruce & Hobbes* radio show on receipt of the Alan P. Noyes Community Service Award from the Vermont Association of Broadcasters

Offered by: Representatives Lanpher of Vergennes, Jewett of Ripton, Fisher of Lincoln, Nuovo of Middlebury, Ralston of Middlebury, Sharpe of Bristol, Smith of New Haven, and Stevens of Shoreham

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Bray

Whereas, after signing off the air on November 26, 2009, as host of Middlebury's WVTK-FM's daily weekday *The Wake-up Crew* program, Bruce Zeman, with 25 years of experience working with animals, received a call from Addison County Humane Society, asking him to look at an especially abused dachshund, a breed with which he had familiarity, and

Whereas, Bruce Zeman was soon introduced to a dachshund named Spot whose mistreatment was immediately apparent, and a smitten Bruce Zeman, his wife, Tami, and their dog, Nikki, quickly gave Spot, renamed Hobbes, a new home and loving family, and

Whereas, although Bruce Zeman spoke of Hobbes on the air, he was extremely protective of his newly acquired best friend and reluctant to bring him into the station and make Hobbes a regular member of his radio family, and

Whereas, as Hobbes healed and recognized the warmth and love he was receiving in his new home, Bruce Zeman changed his mind, and the renamed show premiered on March 1, 2010, and

Whereas, Hobbes's presence is frequently heard on air, and the show has become extremely popular with guests who know to bring Hobbes treats when they come to the station, and

Whereas, *Bruce & Hobbes* has raised over \$30,000.00 for the Homeward Bound Animal Welfare Center (formerly the Addison County Humane Society) and has matched over 350 animals with new loving owners, and

Whereas, Hobbes has been made an honorary K-9 police officer in Middlebury, Vergennes, and Bristol and was named the official fire dog of the New Haven Volunteer Fire Department, and

Whereas, in recognition of *Bruce & Hobbes*'s extraordinary work to improve the lives of animals and teach tolerance in general, the Vermont Association of Broadcasters has awarded the program its Alan P. Noyes Community Service Award, a deserved honor, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates *The Wake-up Crew with Bruce & Hobbes* on receipt of the Alan P. Noyes Community Service Award from the Vermont Association of Broadcasters, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Bruce Zeman at WVTK-FM radio in Middlebury.

H.C.R. 21.

House concurrent resolution recognizing the invaluable community contribution of ReBuild Waterbury to the post-Tropical Storm Irene recovery

Offered by: Representatives Stevens of Waterbury and Ellis of Waterbury

Whereas, Tropical Storm Irene severely damaged many Vermont municipalities, among which was Waterbury, and

Whereas, the assistance of hundreds of Waterbury citizens who came forth for their neighbors after the storm was inspiring and welcomed, but a more sustainable and structured response was needed for the longer term, and

Whereas, officials of the town and village of Waterbury consulted with representatives of Revitalizing Waterbury, an existing 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission "to preserve and enhance the economic, historic and social vitality of downtown Waterbury," enabled it to provide critical guidance in the creation of a more formal, storm recovery effort, and

Whereas, these discussions resulted in the formation of a separate organization, under the auspices of Revitalizing Waterbury, called ReBuild Waterbury, with a mission "to assist individuals and families in the 05676 area zip code who are in need of assistance to rebuild their homes from the disaster-caused effects of Tropical Storm Irene," and

Whereas, ReBuild Waterbury operated on the five principles of community ("the community is strengthened and enhanced by proving assistance for storm-impacted individuals and families); respect (individuals and families and all government partners were treated with respect); self-determination (ReBuild Waterbury provided technical expertise and volunteer labor but left basic reconstruction decisions to individuals and families); effectiveness and efficiency (the needs of individuals and families were met in a timely and cost-effective way); and collaboration (partnerships promoted between individuals or families and government agencies or service-based organizations), and

Whereas, in the months following Tropical Storm Irene, ReBuild Waterbury opened 104 cases, tallied 9,960 volunteer hours, exceeded its fundraising goal of \$900,000.00 by \$94,463.00, and coordinated 77 individual volunteers and 34 volunteer groups, and

Whereas, ReBuild Waterbury concluded its important restoration role in January 2013, having helped residents in Waterbury, Duxbury, Bolton, and Moretown return to their homes, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the invaluable community contribution of ReBuild Waterbury to the post-Tropical Storm Irene recovery, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the ReBuild Waterbury Steering Committee and the Revitalizing Waterbury Board of Directors.

H.C.R. 22.

House concurrent resolution honoring former Woodstock Union High School teacher and athletic director and retiring football coach Jim McLaughlin

Offered by: Representatives Clarkson of Woodstock, Bartholomew of Hartland, Gallivan of Chittenden, and Zagar of Barnard

Offered by: Senators Campbell, McCormack, and Nitka

Whereas, Jim McLaughlin was born in Bennington, and his career as a high school teacher, coach, and athletic director reflected a continuing commitment to the highest professional standards, and

Whereas, in 1981, after serving as an assistant football coach at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and coaching this sport at several Connecticut high schools, Jim McLaughlin joined the faculty at Woodstock Union High School (WUHS) as a health and science teacher and the school's football coach, and

Whereas, except for a short return to Connecticut in the late 1980s, he remained at WUHS as a classroom teacher until 2010, and

Whereas, his role as a football coach has become nearly legendary in Woodstock as his great success over the decades was indicative of his mastery of the game's strategic intricacies, and

Whereas, he began his WUHS coaching role in a winning manner, compiling a 22–5 record during his first three seasons as he sparked the presence of a strong team spirit and enthusiastic community support for the players, and

Whereas, in 1983, his coaching performance, communications skills, and rapport with students led to his first of two appointments as WUHS athletic director, and

Whereas, beginning in 1996, the WUHS Wasps earned 10 out of 11 consecutive berths in a divisional football championship game, winning seven including four straight titles starting in 2000, and

Whereas, in 2011–2012, Jim McLaughlin coached the football Wasps to a 21–2 record including two state championships; a perfect 11–0 2012 season; and a career finale 38–18 victory over BFA Fairfax in the 2012 Division III championship game, and

Whereas, with 211 career victories and after 31 gridiron seasons, this greatly admired coach and inspiring leader of young athletes has decided to retire from the coaching ranks, concluding a career of which he can be extraordinarily proud, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Woodstock Union High School teacher and athletic director and retiring football coach Jim McLaughlin, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jim McLaughlin in Woodstock.

H.C.R. 23.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative and Senator Sanborn Partridge of Proctor

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Devereux of Mount Holly, Browning of Arlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Cupoli of Rutland City, Donaghy of Poultney, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Gallivan of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Jerman of Essex, Koch of Barre Town, Komline of Dorset, Lenes of Shelburne, Malcolm of Pawlet, McCormack of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Stevens of Shoreham, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Webb of Shelburne, and Winters of Williamstown

Offered by: Senators Flory, French, and Mullin

Whereas, Sanborn Partridge was a man of broad interests and talents whose 97-year life was filled with diverse accomplishments, and

Whereas, he graduated from Amherst College and completed his law degree at Yale Law School, which included two semesters at Harvard Business School, and entered the private practice of law in Rutland, and

Whereas, while practicing law in Rutland, Sanborn Partridge served as a town grand juror and agent in Proctor and earned a private pilot license, and

Whereas, during World War II, he served in the Army Air Corps and Army Air Force, rising to the rank of first lieutenant specializing in intelligence, and

Whereas, after leaving the Army, Sanborn Partridge embarked on a new career as a geologist, earning a graduate degree at Yale University and then teaching at the University of Kansas and at his alma mater, Amherst College, and

Whereas, returning to Proctor, he became an expert in oriental rugs and old coins, especially those minted in Vermont, and

Whereas, a desire to serve his community resulted in his 1960 election as Proctor's member in the House of Representatives, where he was associated with the Young Turks, the bipartisan group of legislative reformers, and

Whereas, Sanborn Partridge proceeded to the Senate in 1969 where he represented Rutland County for six terms until 1980, and

Whereas, his numerous civic leadership roles included service on the boards of historical societies, including the Vermont Historical Society, libraries, the Rutland Hospital, the Red Cross, the University of Vermont including serving as Chair of the Board of Trustees, the Crown Point Road Association, and the

Boy Scouts, in which his active participation and leadership encompassed the troop, state, regional, and national levels, and

Whereas, his amazing life of numerous achievements concluded on January 13, 2013, and his survivors include his sister Ruth, brother David, sister-in-law Dee, and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews, and great-grandnieces and -grandnephews, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its condolences to the family of former Representative and Senator Sanborn Partridge, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to his brother and sister.

H.C.R. 24.

House concurrent resolution designating February 1, 2013 as Wear Red Day

Offered by: Representatives Ram of Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, Batchelor of Derby, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Cole of Burlington, Cross of Winooski, Evans of Essex, Fay of St. Johnsbury, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Gallivan of Chittenden, Haas of Rochester, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lenes of Shelburne, Martin of Wolcott, McCarthy of St. Albans City, McFaun of Barre Town, Mook of Bennington, Mrowicki of Putney, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pearson of Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Till of Jericho, Townsend of Randolph,

Townsend of South Burlington, Wilson of Manchester, and Wizowaty of Burlington

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Ashe, Ayer, Benning, Bray, Campbell, Cummings, Flory, Fox, Galbraith, Hartwell, Kitchel, MacDonald, Mazza, McCormack, Mullin, Nitka, Pollina, Rodgers, Sears, Snelling, White, and Zuckerman

Whereas, the American Heart Association's Go Red For Women[®] movement has been impacting the health of women for 10 years, and more than 627,000 women's lives have been saved and 330 fewer women are dying every day, and

Whereas, heart disease is the Number 1 killer of women, yet only one in five American women believe that heart disease is her greatest health threat, and

Whereas, cardiovascular diseases cause one in three women's deaths each year, killing approximately one woman every minute, and

Whereas, an estimated 43 million women in the United States are affected by cardiovascular diseases, and

Whereas, 90 percent of women have one or more risk factors for developing heart disease, and

Whereas, women comprise only 24 percent of participants in all heart-related studies, and

Whereas, since 1984, more women than men have died each year from heart disease, and the gap between men's and women's survival continues to widen, and

Whereas, women are less likely to call 911 for themselves when experiencing symptoms of a heart attack than they are if someone else were, and

Whereas, by increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and empowering women to reduce their risk of cardiovascular disease, thousands of lives can be saved every year, and

Whereas, in celebration of the 10th National Wear Red Day on Friday, February 1, 2013, Go Red For Women is asking all women across America to wear red to educate the public on the threat that heart disease can pose to women, now therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, designates Friday, February 1, 2013, as Wear Red Day in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association in Williston.

S.C.R. 12.

Senate concurrent resolution honoring Amelia Boynton Robinson, the Matriarch of the Voting Rights Movement.

Whereas, Amelia Boynton Robinson was a true hero in the long struggle leading to passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, Pub. L. 89-110, and

Whereas, she first participated in a voter registration drive when she assisted her mother in registering women to vote following the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, a process completed on her ninth birthday, August 18, 1920, and

Whereas, in 1933, Amelia Boynton Robinson cofounded the Dallas County Voters League in Selma, Alabama for the purpose of registering African-American voters in Dallas County, and

Whereas, African-Americans in Alabama had been effectively disenfranchised since the adoption of a state constitutional amendment in 1901, and her task, which she performed with great dedication, proved extremely difficult as she was facing continuous pressure to halt her efforts, and

Whereas, in 1964, after the City of Selma adopted an ordinance effectively ending the voter registration efforts of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, Amelia Boynton Robinson wrote to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King requesting the assistance of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), and

Whereas, the SCLC sent a team to assist in the voting rights effort, and when Dr. King went to Selma on January 2, 1965 to address a mass meeting, Amelia Boynton Robinson was manhandled and arrested, and

Whereas, on March 7, 1965, at the start of the famous voting rights march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, state troopers viciously attacked the marchers crossing the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, and Amelia Boynton Robinson was left for dead, and

Whereas, she recovered, and President Lyndon Johnson invited her to the signing ceremony for the 1965 Voting Rights Act, and

Whereas, in 2013, at the age of 101, Amelia Boynton Robinson remains politically involved as a fighter for social justice and has established the Village of Hope organization to educate young persons about her life's work, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Amelia Boynton Robinson, the Matriarch of the Voting Rights Movement, for her pioneering efforts to ensure universal voting rights, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Amelia Boynton Robinson in Tuskegee, Alabama.