

No. R-159. House concurrent resolution in memory of Gary Michael Carey of Colchester.

(H.C.R.116)

Offered by: Representatives Brennan of Colchester, Condon of Colchester, Dakin of Colchester, and Purvis of Colchester

Offered by: Senator Mazza

Whereas, Gary Carey was a man devoted to his family, including his wife, Cindy (fondly referred to as Frenchy); his children, Coleen, Melissa, Jason, and Lindsay; his granddaughters, Jordan, Katelyn, Taylor, Ava, Liviya, Ella, Katie, and Jacquelyn; and he was eagerly anticipating the arrival of his first grandson and was proud of his brother, Gerry, and

Whereas, he faithfully attended his children's and, later, his grandchildren's athletic and artistic events, even traveling considerable distances to root for his family members and applaud their accomplishments, and

Whereas, this support was manifested in his role as a consummate fundraiser for any activity in which his children and grandchildren were involved, and

Whereas, Gary Carey was a 1965 graduate of Burlington High School and then immediately started to work at General Electric, and

Whereas, in 1970, he began working as a firefighter for the Burlington Fire Department, and

Whereas, for the next quarter century, Gary Carey was a proud member of the Queen City's fire fighting force, who judged his colleagues based on their holding nothing back when battling the challenges of a fire and a certainty they would have his back when the situation became tense, and

Whereas, Gary Carey supported every local school budget in the belief that "it was good for the kids," and

Whereas, he was an avid fan and supporter of baseball and softball from children's T-Ball to University of Vermont baseball, and

Whereas, hunting, especially for rabbit, was a favorite pastime earning him the nickname "God Father of Rabbit Hunting," and

Whereas, Gary Carey was a charter member of Brennan's Quick Stop Coffee Club in Colchester that now gathers mornings at the Cap'n Cork Beverage Discount, also in Colchester, and

Whereas, this ordinary Vermonter, whose presence brightened many lives, died on March 30, 2015, at 69 years of age, and his life will be celebrated on April 10, 2015, at the Colchester High School gymnasium, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family and friends of Gary Carey of Colchester, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of his family.