

No. R-191. House concurrent resolution honoring the culinary contribution to Rutland City of Three Tomatoes Trattoria and the community focus of its owner, Allen Frey.

(H.C.R.148)

Offered by: Representatives Russell of Rutland City, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Mullin, Collamore, and Flory

Whereas, in 1997, Three Tomatoes Trattoria, a delightful Italian restaurant, opened in the Asa Bloomer Building on Merchants Row in Rutland, and

Whereas, the term “trattoria” refers to an eating establishment found in Italian villages, serving fresh, simply prepared, and tasty food, and where the atmosphere is casual and a strong sense of community is present, and

Whereas, the restaurant’s colorful logo, featuring prominently the friendly “CIAO” greeting, and the accompanying “salute e buon appetito,” wishing the customer a wonderful meal, symbolize Three Tomatoes Trattoria’s welcoming atmosphere, and

Whereas, owner Allen Frey has offered delicious Italian specialties, including garlic-rubbed bruschetta and chicken fra diavolo, and

Whereas, Three Tomatoes Trattoria arrived in downtown Rutland at the start of the commercial hub’s revitalization in the late 1990s, and

Whereas, Allen Frey has purchased food from local farmers and producers whenever possible, and

Whereas, he has demonstrated a special concern for needy Rutlanders, raising \$750,000 for the Rutland Community Cupboard food shelf, a worthy and impressive accomplishment, and

Whereas, after 18 successful years, Three Tomatoes Trattoria will serve its final meals on April 30, 2015, and

Whereas, in a published advertisement announcing the restaurant’s closing, the ownership expressed sincere appreciation for the loyalty of its many customers and to the community of Rutland, and

Whereas, Rutlanders will miss the high quality food and warm hospitality of Three Tomatoes Trattoria, but will have fond memories of wonderful dining experiences, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the culinary contribution to Rutland City of Three Tomatoes Trattoria and the community focus of its owner, Allen Frey, and be it further

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