No. R-443. House concurrent resolution honoring Nancy Remsen, on the conclusion of her journalism career, as a fair, perceptive, and thoughtful reporter and editor.

(H.C.R.366)

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: Senators Ashe, Ayer, Balint, Baruth, Benning, Bray, Campbell, Campion, Collamore, Cummings, Degree, Doyle, Flory, Kitchel, Lyons, MacDonald, Mazza, McCormack, Mullin, Nitka, Pollina, Riehle, Rodgers, Sears, Sirotkin, Starr, Westman, White, and Zuckerman

Whereas, Nancy Remsen is a journalist of the highest order, who, for many years, worked diligently to provide the *Burlington Free Press*, WCAX, and *Seven Days* audiences with accurate and fair coverage of the General Assembly's deliberations as well as of developments in the Executive Branch, and

Whereas, she is a Middlebury College graduate and earned a master's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri, and

Whereas, after starting her professional career at the Associated Press, Nancy Remsen joined the staff of the *Bangor Daily News*, where she served for 20 years as a reporter and an editor, and

Whereas, in the middle 1990s, Nancy Remsen came to the *Burlington Free Press* as an assistant metro editor and subsequently began reporting on the State House beat, and

Whereas, on the digital front, she contributed to the *Burlington Free Press*'s vt.Buzz blog, and

Whereas, this excellent reporter could slip in and out of a legislative committee meeting and not disturb the proceedings, and

Whereas, Nancy Remsen earned the respect of Vermont's legislators for her reportorial impartiality, and

Whereas, Nancy Remsen is an individual for whom professional integrity and self-respect are paramount, and

Whereas, she always took the time to understand complex issues and translate them for a wider Vermont audience, with the goal of informing citizens about their government, and

Whereas, Nancy Remsen showed her versatility and value in transitioning in 2015, after 19 years with the *Burlington Free Press*, to working as a reporter for WCAX television and for the Burlington-based news and arts magazine *Seven Days*, before she joined *Seven Days* full-time in 2016, and

Whereas, the banging of the final gavel of the 2016 General Assembly session will mark the conclusion of Nancy Remsen's distinguished journalism career, and many legislators will miss her accurate and fair reporting, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Nancy Remsen, on the conclusion of her journalism career, as a fair, perceptive, and thoughtful reporter and editor and wishes her all the best in her future endeavors, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Nancy Remsen.