

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**ADDENDUM**

**TO THE**

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Text of House Concurrent  
Resolutions**

**of**

**May 7, 2015**

## **Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16**

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

### **Resolutions**

#### **H.C.R. 149.**

House concurrent resolution honoring the Essex High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps unit on its exemplary history

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Dame of Essex, Evans of Essex, and Jerman of Essex

Whereas, in 1978, the Essex High School (EHS) Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (Essex AFJROTC) unit was activated with an initial class of 23 students, and by the second year it had grown to 140 students, and

Whereas, in 1980, the Essex AFJROTC was designated an Air Force Honor Unit and EHS as an Honor School with Distinction as one of the top 14 schools among the 275 with an AFJROTC unit, and

Whereas, no other school had earned both honors only two years after its AFJROTC unit's activation, and

Whereas, within three years, the Essex AFJROTC had established a national record, with five students from this single school being selected as military service academy candidates, and

Whereas, the Essex AFJROTC curriculum including academics, leadership training, and physical fitness attracted a broad spectrum of students, and

Whereas, the decline in recent years in the number of participating students will result in the Essex AFJROTC unit's deactivation this spring and the conclusion of an exemplary 37-year history, and

Whereas, the proud final members of the Essex AFJROTC are Sujita Acharya, Jamieson Barber, Victoria Benoit, William Bigelow, Jacob Billings, Justin Carlson, James Carter, Jacob Cowin, Jared Doohen, Isaiah Drown, Jesse Dunton, Daniel Feliciano, Keelan Foy, Sawyer Gabert, Madeleine Garza, Riley Gilmond, Daniel Goodrow, Joanne Harnois, George Harnois, Jason Harnois, Anthony Hastings, Charles Hemmingway, Travis Kendrew, Noah Laporte, Stephen Lizewski, Patrick Mack, Travis Miller, Jordan Pellerin, Calvin Powell, Claire Reeves, Kate Sevene, Max Taylor, Eric Thompson, Jackson Waring, Jacqueline Welch, Adam Ziter, and Nick Ziter, and

Whereas, Colonel James Spaulding, USAF (Retired) and Technical Sergeant Gary Cook, USAF (Retired) have served as the unit's respected instructors, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the Essex High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps unit on its exemplary history, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Essex High School Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps unit.

### **H.C.R. 150.**

House concurrent resolution honoring Dave Gram for 30 years of journalism excellence

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, Dave Gram, now the dean of State House reporters, graduated from his home state University of Massachusetts with a journalism degree, and

Whereas, when he applied for a position at the Associated Press (AP), staff openings were available in Montpelier and New Orleans, but despite his love of jazz, Dave Gram decided to pursue the job closer to home, and

Whereas, on concluding lunch with AP Montpelier reporters Chris Graff and Jon Kellogg, Dave Gram was told to take a short walk and, on his return, was surprised to learn he had seen the entire city and delighted to accept an employment offer, and

Whereas, his first day of reporting was June 10, 1985, and

Whereas, Dave Gram and his wife, Cathy, were married on October 1, 1986, at St. Augustine's in Montpelier, and

Whereas, an early highlight of Dave Gram's long reporting career was a 1987 series focusing on the challenges African-Americans confronted living in one of the whitest states in the Union, prompting in part the establishment of the Vermont Human Rights Commission, and

Whereas, his 1990 series, *School As Parent*, detailed new pressures on Vermont schools to respond to social and family changes, and

Whereas, inevitably, in meeting his journalistic obligations, Dave Gram managed from time to time to anger Vermont's governors, regardless of their political party, and

Whereas, Dave Gram fondly recalls touring downtown Montpelier in a canoe with Kim Bittermann and Warren Kitzmiller after the March flood of 1992, and

Whereas, a 1995 Kiplinger Fellowship enabled Dave Gram to earn a master's degree in journalism at Ohio State University, and

Whereas, during Tropical Storm Irene in 2011, Dave Gram remained in the AP bureau for a solo 14-hour shift, notwithstanding the increasingly threatening waters of the Winooski River, and

Whereas, Dave Gram has been recognized for his Tropical Storm Irene coverage and for his outstanding State government reporting, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Dave Gram for 30 years of journalism excellence, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 151.**

House concurrent resolution in memory of Glenn Tosi of Montpelier

Offered by: Representatives Donovan of Burlington, Baser of Bristol, Beyor of Highgate, Bissonnette of Winooski, Buxton of Tunbridge, Canfield of Fair Haven, Clarkson of Woodstock, Corcoran of Bennington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Davis of Washington, Emmons of Springfield, Head of South Burlington, Hooper of Montpelier, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lenex of Shelburne, McCoy of Poultney, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morrissey of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Poirier of Barre City, Pugh of South Burlington, Scheuermann of Stowe, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Turner of Milton, Walz of Barre City, Webb of Shelburne, and Woodward of Johnson

Whereas, Glenn Tosi of Montpelier was known to many members of the General Assembly as the friendly, helpful, and often-requested waiter at the Capital Plaza Hotel's J. Morgan's Steakhouse, and

Whereas, his fantastic memory and attention to detail impressed legislative diners, as he often knew their menu preferences, and

Whereas, Glenn Tosi's mastery of the waiting profession is hardly surprising, as he worked in restaurants for over a half-century and was always committed to giving his customers great service, and

Whereas, his first restaurant employment was at 13 years of age as a Howard Johnson's busboy, and

Whereas, this experience launched a career that, over the next half-century, would include employment at 17 restaurants in Montpelier, Northfield, Waterbury, Stowe, Burlington, and on the Maine coast, and

Whereas, this extraordinarily talented waiter would explain that his profession was far more complex than the dining public appreciated, including preparatory work and focusing on specifics, such as the diverse types of herbal teas, and

Whereas, Glenn Tosi stated that, while working at the Shed in Stowe and wearing a pedometer, he walked four-and-one-half miles in a single evening, giving support to his comment that he had probably walked around the world, and

Whereas, Glenn Tosi learned to speak French from his grandmother, who was from the Alsace-Lorraine area of France, and used it as a base to study French at the University of Vermont, from which he earned a bachelor's degree in French and a master's in education, and

Whereas, for many years, Glenn Tosi was a teacher of French, Spanish, and mathematics in the Montpelier and Barre school systems, and

Whereas, on April 25, 2015, Glenn Tosi died at the age of 67, leaving his brother, Michael, and his brother's wife, Lisa; a sister, Rosanne, and her partner, John; nieces, great-nieces, a nephew, and a great-nephew; and his many loyal customers who will miss his friendly smile and courteous service, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends condolences to the family of Glenn Tosi, and to his colleagues at the Capital Plaza Hotel, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to his brother and sister, and to the Capital Plaza Hotel.

**H.C.R. 152.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Jacobi Lafferty and Jamison Evans on their New England regional victories in the Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Program

Offered by: Representatives Brennan of Colchester, Condon of Colchester, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Colchester, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, McCoy of Poultney, Potter of Clarendon, Purvis of Colchester, Russell of Rutland City, and Shaw of Pittsford

Offered by: Senator Mazza

Whereas, the Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Program enables boys and girls 8–13 years of age to sharpen their basketball free-throwing skills, and

Whereas, this competition serves as a character-building opportunity for the participating youngsters, and

Whereas, the youngsters become acquainted with the importance of respecting other competitors and the value of good sportsmanship, and

Whereas, every participant's entry into the Elks National Hoop Shoot begins at a shooting contest that a local Elks Lodge sponsors, and

Whereas, in 2015, two of the local contests were the beginning of an exciting adventure for a Vermont boy, who eventually won a berth at the national finals in Springfield, Massachusetts, and

Whereas, one of the contestants at the Burlington Lodge No. 916 local hoop shoot was Jacobi Lafferty of Colchester, and

Whereas, Jacobi Lafferty competed in the category for boys 8–9 years of age and won the Burlington event, and

Whereas, his consistently accurate free throwing continued to dominate the district and regional contests, and he earned the right to represent Vermont in the regional finals in Portland, Maine, and

Whereas, in Portland, Jacobi Lafferty scored 23 points, the most of any boy in the New England regional competition, regardless of his age category, and

Whereas, a similar launching of a national finals-bound contestant started at Rutland Lodge No. 345's local competition, and

Whereas, in Rutland, Jamison Evans competed in the 12–13 boys category, won his local contest, and repeated that result at the district and then the State competition at Spaulding High School in Barre, and

Whereas, Jamison Evans demonstrated that he is a talented young athlete, able to withstand the pressure of the regional competition, as he won his age category in Portland, scoring an impressive 22.5 points, and

Whereas, each of these boys can be proud of his shooting precision and great success in the 2015 Elks Hoop Shoot, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Jacobi Lafferty and Jamison Evans on their New England regional victories in the Elks National Hoop Shoot Free Throw Program, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of the boys honored in this resolution.

### **H.C.R. 153.**

House concurrent resolution honoring Steven E. Jeffrey for his exemplary leadership of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Offered by: Representatives Manwaring of Wilmington, Masland of Thetford, Ancel of Calais, Bancroft of Westford, Bartholomew of Hartland, Baser of Bristol, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Berry of Manchester, Beyor of Highgate, Bissonnette of Winooski, Botzow of Pownal, Branagan of Georgia, Browning of Arlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Buxton of Tunbridge, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Clarkson of Woodstock, Cole of Burlington, Condon of Colchester, Connor of Fairfield, Conquest of Newbury, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Corcoran of Bennington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dakin of Chester, Dakin of Colchester, Dame of Essex, Davis of Washington, Deen of Westminster, Devereux of Mount Holly, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington, Eastman of Orwell, Ellis of Waterbury, Emmons of Springfield, Evans of Essex, Fagan of Rutland City, Feltus of Lyndon, Fields of Bennington, Fiske of Enosburgh, Forguites of Springfield, Frank of Underhill, French of Randolph, Gamache of Swanton, Gonzalez of Winooski, Grad of Moretown, Graham of Williamstown, Greshin of Warren, Haas of Rochester, Head of South Burlington, Hebert of Vernon, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hooper of Montpelier, Hubert of Milton, Huntley of Cavendish, Jerman of Essex, Jewett of Ripton, Johnson of South Hero, Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Keenan of St. Albans City, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Klein of East Montpelier, Komline of Dorset, Krebs of South Hero, Krowinski of Burlington, LaClair of Barre Town, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lawrence of Lyndon, Lefebvre of Newark, Lenes of Shelburne, Lewis of Berlin, Lippert of Hinesburg, Long of Newfane, Lucke of Hartford, Macaig of Williston, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Martin of Wolcott, McCormack of Burlington, McCoy of Poultney, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Miller of Shaftsbury, Morris of Bennington, Morrissey of Bennington, Mrowicki of Putney, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Nuovo of Middlebury, O'Brien of Richmond, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Parent of St. Albans City, Patt of Worcester, Pearce of Richford, Pearson of Burlington, Potter of Clarendon, Pugh of South Burlington, Purvis of Colchester, Quimby of Concord, Rachelson of Burlington, Ram of Burlington, Russell of Rutland City, Ryerson of Randolph, Scheuermann of Stowe, Sharpe of Bristol, Shaw of Pittsford, Sheldon of Middlebury, Sibilina of Dover, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Waterbury,

Strong of Albany, Stuart of Brattleboro, Sullivan of Burlington, Sweaney of Windsor, Tate of Mendon, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Toll of Danville, Townsend of South Burlington, Trieber of Rockingham, Troiano of Stannard, Turner of Milton, Viens of Newport City,

Walz of Barre City, Webb of Shelburne, Willhoit of St. Johnsbury, Woodward of Johnson, Wright of Burlington, Yantachka of Charlotte, Young of Glover, and Zagar of Barnard

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

Whereas, the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) was established in 1967, and its membership consists of all the State's 246 organized cities and towns and 141 other municipal subdivisions, and

Whereas, in 1978, VLCT hired Steve Jeffrey, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire's master's in public administration program, as the organization's associate director, and

Whereas, in 1982, VLCT named him its executive director, a decision the organization has never regretted, and

Whereas, throughout his 37 years in VLCT staff leadership, Steve Jeffrey has represented vigorously the interests and concerns of the State's municipalities, as either the organization's members or the VLCT board has articulated, and

Whereas, localities, legislators, and the advocacy community often rely on Steve Jeffrey's expertise on matters pertaining to local government, including the critical issue of public education financing, and

Whereas, in several policy areas, Steve Jeffrey has fostered VLCT staff expertise that municipalities, legislators, and members of administrations from different political parties have trusted, and

Whereas, for three separate terms, Steve Jeffrey served on the National League of Cities and Towns' board of directors, assuring that the views of small rural towns were part of the national organization's policy deliberations, and

Whereas, Steve Jeffrey recognizes the importance of municipal volunteer service and has served as a firefighter, town moderator, and parliamentarian, and as a member of a town-village merger study committee, recreation board, police citizen's advisory committee, and planning commission, and

Whereas, he and his wife, Marilyn, are the proud parents of two impressive and talented daughters, and



Whereas, after 37 years of dedicated service on behalf of the State's municipalities, Steve Jeffrey will conclude his leadership service at VLCT on June 30, 2015, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Steven E. Jeffrey for his exemplary leadership of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, and be it further

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

#### **H.C.R. 154.**

House concurrent resolution in memory of Seargent Kendall Wild

Offered by: Representatives Russell of Rutland City, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Haas of Rochester, Helm of Fair Haven, McCoy of Poultney, Potter of Clarendon, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Flory, and Mullin

Whereas, Kendall Wild was a born newspaper editor who represented the best in the journalism profession, and

Whereas, his father, Seargent Peabody Wild, served as the city editor and, later, associate editor at the *Rutland Herald*, the paper that became Kendall Wild's career employer, and

Whereas, Kendall Wild was born in Chicago and came to Vermont at five years of age, and

Whereas, he then grew up on a farm in Londonderry, and

Whereas, confirmation that Kendall Wild had inherited the family proclivity for the written word occurred when he won a University of Vermont writing contest during his senior year at Rutland High School, and

Whereas, after military service in occupied Japan following World War II, Kendall Wild graduated from Harvard University before starting his long and eventful career at the *Rutland Herald*, and

Whereas, one former colleague described him as reporting stories with "a healthy skepticism and a total absence of fear," and

Whereas, current *Rutland Herald* editor R. John Mitchell recalled Kendall Wild as practicing an "aggressive style of journalism" and that his "thorough

coverage of Vermont politics and government earned the *Herald* the label of Vermont's paper of record," and

Whereas, Kendall Wild earned great respect among his colleagues as a reporter who could dig to gain his story, and

Whereas, his tenacity as a reporter, excellent writing skills, and strong commitment to a free press all were contributing factors to the *Rutland Herald's* selecting him as its managing editor, a role he filled successfully and uniquely from 1962–1977, and

Whereas, Kendall Wild continued serving on the *Rutland Herald's* staff until retiring in 1992, and his association with the paper continued as a writer of editorials and then as a weekly columnist, and

Whereas, after a long life as an icon of Vermont journalism, Kendall Wild died at 87 years of age, and his survivors include his brother, William Henry Wild, a retired newspaper editor in Dayton, Ohio; his sister-in-law; two nephews; a grandnephew; and three grandnieces; now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its condolences to the family of Seargent Kendall Wild and to the staff of the *Rutland Herald* on the loss of its special colleague, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to William Henry Wild and to the *Rutland Herald*.

#### **H.C.R. 155.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Ben Morehouse of Concord on completing a winter season dogsled ascent of Mount Washington

Offered by: Representative Quimby of Concord

Whereas, Ben Morehouse of Concord is an avid dogsledder and the proprietor of the Mutt Mountain Dog Sledding kennel, and

Whereas, dogsledding teams have previously ascended Mount Washington, New England's highest peak, but his is the only documented completion of this feat during the winter season, and

Whereas, Ben Morehouse was convinced that his team of eight Alaskan Huskies, including Trucker, Jewells, Zoey, Porter, Tug, Friday, Timber, and McJagger, were up to this formidable challenge, and

Whereas, the Mutt Mountain Alaskan Huskies are carefully trained dogs capable of running 100 miles per day and deserving of the description "athletes on four legs," and

Whereas, to qualify for this winter season distinction, the ascent needed to be completed by 6:45 p.m. on March 20, 2015, the moment of the spring equinox, but, seeking the best possible weather, Ben Morehouse waited till the latest possible date in March, and

Whereas, with these calendar and meteorological factors in mind, Ben Morehouse and his team left from the Mutt Mountain Dog Sledding kennel on March 18 and traveled by dogsled to the base of the Mount Washington Auto Road, and

Whereas, after two extended breaks, the team arrived at the Mount Washington Auto Road base at 2 p.m. on March 19, but, unfortunately, the lead dog, Trucker, had developed a severe abscess in his forehead, and

Whereas, following an emergency truck trip back to Concord for the entire team, Trucker was cleared to resume his adventure, and the team arrived again at the base of Mount Washington Auto Road at noon on March 20, and

Whereas, the Mutt Mountaineers ascended to the Mount Washington summit, without incident, in the rapid time of one hour and 40 minutes, and

Whereas, during the descent, Ben Morehouse was forced to flip the sled at a dangerous switchback, and both were dragged approximately 100 feet, and

Whereas, the sled was repositioned, and at 3 p.m., Ben Morehouse and his Mutt Mountaineers returned triumphantly to the mountain's base, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Ben Morehouse and the Mutt Mountain dogsledding team of Concord on completing a winter season dog sled ascent of Mount Washington, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 156.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Kenneth Coonradt on being named the Shaftsbury Historical Society's Ordinary Hero for 2015

Offered by: Representative Miller of Shaftsbury

Offered by: Senators Campion and Sears

Whereas, Shaftsbury has a special place in the heart of Kenneth Coonradt, who, at three years of age, became a resident of the town, and

Whereas, after his graduation from North Bennington High School, he served in the U.S. Air Force, obtaining the rank of staff sergeant, and

Whereas, following an honorable medical discharge, Kenneth Coonradt began a civilian career in the U.S. Department of the Army, working across the country on product quality and assurance matters, and

Whereas, upon concluding his federal career, he returned to Shaftsbury, becoming a dedicated community leader, and

Whereas, Kenneth Coonradt served the town of Shaftsbury as an assistant to the water commissioner, water superintendent, zoning administrator, and a trustee of public funds, and

Whereas, the town's voters elected him to serve on the selectboard, and he served on the sidewalk committee and chaired the cemetery committee, and

Whereas, Kenneth Coonradt has served in numerous roles at United Methodist Churches nationwide, and

Whereas, as a proud veteran, he serves as a chaplain at both the Vermont Veterans Home and at American Legion Post 13 in Bennington, and

Whereas, a further connection for Kenneth Coonradt with his military service is his membership in the Disabled American Veterans, and

Whereas, he served as a volunteer for the Boy Scouts of America as both a Cub Scout leader and Scoutmaster, and

Whereas, Kenneth Coonradt belongs to a number of community organizations, including the Masons (in which he has earned the ranking of Shriner), the Vermont Old Cemetery Association, the 251 Club of Vermont, and the Grange, and

Whereas, on May 30, 2015, the Shaftsbury Historical Society, in recognition of the many ways Kenneth Coonradt has served his community, will honor him as the Shaftsbury Ordinary Hero for 2015, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Kenneth Coonradt on being named the Shaftsbury Ordinary Hero for 2015, and be it further

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

**H.C.R. 157.**

House concurrent resolution honoring Orwell firefighter, first responder, and revered former fire chief Louis Hall

Offered by: Representative Eastman of Orwell

Whereas, Louis Hall epitomizes the grand tradition of public service that is the hallmark of a volunteer Vermont firefighter and first responder, and

Whereas, his 48-year association with the Orwell Volunteer Fire Department started in 1967, when he signed up as a new member, and

Whereas, only two years after joining the department, his colleagues selected Louis Hall as the department's secretary, and

Whereas, Louis Hall's expertise in fighting fires led to his service during 1971–1972 as a training officer, and

Whereas, his successful performance as both the department's secretary and training officer resulted in his appointment in 1972 as an Orwell Fire Department trustee and the assumption of new administrative oversight responsibilities, and

Whereas, in 1978, based on 11 years of superb service, the Orwell Volunteer Fire Department selected Louis Hall as its chief, and

Whereas, during his extensive 36-year tenure as Orwell's fire chief, Louis Hall earned the respect of the fire departments throughout the region as a first-class professional whose leadership was second to none, and

Whereas, the strong admiration and respect that Louis Hall engendered among his colleagues was manifested in 1985, when he was named the Addison County Firefighters Association's Chief Officer of the Year, and

Whereas, the Orwell Volunteer Fire Department saluted the chief naming him its 1991 Line Officer of the Year, and

Whereas, over the decades, Louis Hall earned over 600 firefighting training hours, and

Whereas, Louis Hall is a charter member of the Orwell First Response Squad having participated in its establishment in 1973, and he has been instrumental in the squad's evolution from a rudimentary organization into a state-of-the-art medical and rescue unit, and

Whereas, the town of Orwell will honor Louis Hall at its 2015 Memorial Day parade in recognition of his continuing exemplary firefighting and first response service, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Orwell firefighter, first responder, and revered former fire chief Louis Hall, and be it further

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