

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**ADDENDUM**

**TO THE**

**HOUSE CALENDAR**

**Text of House and Senate  
Concurrent Resolutions**

**of**

**January 7, 2016**

## **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. 184.**

House concurrent resolution recognizing January 7, 2016, as Homelessness Awareness Day at the State House

Offered by: Representatives Head of South Burlington and Krowinski of Burlington

Whereas, being deprived of a permanent place to live is an indignity that far too many Vermont families continue to endure, and

Whereas, the severe early-life impediments homeless children encounter may result in long-term consequences, and

Whereas, many homeless families include persons who have suffered a personal trauma such as job loss or domestic abuse, and

Whereas, the National Center on Family Homelessness (NCFH) reports that 29 percent of adults in homeless families are working, and

Whereas, the NCFH also documented that children experiencing homelessness are sick four times more often and have three times the rate of emotional and behavioral problems, compared to their housed peers, and

Whereas, the Institute for Children and Poverty reports homeless children are nine times more likely to repeat a grade, four times more likely to drop out of school, and three times more likely to require special education, and

Whereas, both the financial and human costs of homelessness strain public services, including education and physical and mental health care, and

Whereas, the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness and the Chittenden County Homeless Alliance's 2015 Point-in-Time count reported 1,532 Vermonters were homeless on January 27, 2015, of whom 11 percent were chronically homeless, 31 percent reported serious mental illness, and 28 percent had a substance abuse disorder, and

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Annual Homeless Assessment Report revealed a 60 percent rise in homelessness in Vermont since 2008, the third highest increase among the 50 states, and

Whereas, the Vermont Emergency Solutions Grants Report for fiscal year 2015 documented 4,303 persons sheltered, of whom 20 percent were under 18 years of age, and

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Education reported 1,145 homeless Vermont school-age children during 2013–2014, a 45 percent increase since 2007–2008, and

Whereas, the General Assembly believes it is imperative that no one, especially no child, should be homeless, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes January 7, 2016, as Homelessness Awareness Day at the State House, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Coalition to End Homelessness, to the Chittenden County Homeless Alliance, and to the Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition.

#### **H.C.R. 185.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Lamoille Union High School Lancers 2015 Division II championship baseball team

Offered by: Representatives Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Martin of Wolcott, and Woodward of Johnson

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, 2015 was a memorable year for the Lamoille Union High School baseball Lancers, whose predecessors, during the prior two decades, had unsuccessfully sought a divisional title, and

Whereas, the 2015 players formed a talented team that lost only twice during the regular season and earned a second-seed playoff ranking, and

Whereas, Lamoille then proved unstoppable as the Lancers earned a championship berth against the fourth-seeded Bellows Falls Union High School Terriers, and

Whereas, in the 2015 season's closely matched Division II championship game, played at Centennial Field in Burlington, the Lancers scored twice in the fourth inning, the Terriers once in the sixth, and the Lancers' strong seventh inning pitching sealed their 2–1 victory, and

Whereas, Lamoille's 2015 Division II baseball champions were Kris Boutin, Reid Sommers, Riley Fitzgerald, Eric Hoadley, Aidan Trombley, Dylan Locke, Nick Fitzgerald, Kyle Martin, Jayden Royer, Nate Selby, Kody

Jones, Aidan Foley, Patrick Machia, Shane Lafountain, Ethan Trombley, and Daniel Machia, and

Whereas, Coach Greg Stokes and Assistant Coaches Bill Baker, Todd Fitzgerald, and Lucas Marcoux inspired the Lancers throughout the 2015 season, and scorekeeper Stacy Stokes, batboy Matt Selby, and manager Wyatt Brigham each contributed to the Lancers' success, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Lamoille Union High School Lancers 2015 Division II championship baseball team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Lamoille Union High School.

### **H.C.R. 186.**

House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative Robert Lawrence Walsh of South Burlington for his advocacy and public service on behalf of the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery

Offered by: Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs

Whereas, Vermont's veterans deserve respect for their military service, including a dignified final resting place, and

Whereas, former Representative Bob Walsh of South Burlington, a retired Marine lieutenant colonel and a Vietnam veteran, has been a leader in the establishment, operation, and enhancement of the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Randolph Center, and

Whereas, the highlight of his career as a State Representative (1983–1988) was his advocating for the State to establish a Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, which became a reality with the enactment of Act 69 of 1989, and

Whereas, the passage of the authorizing legislation resulted in the construction of the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Randolph Center, and

Whereas, Bob Walsh then served as a founding member of the committee dedicated to raising the necessary funds for the construction of a chapel on the cemetery's grounds, and

Whereas, beginning in 1998, his passion and commitment to the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery was applied to his service as a member of its advisory board, and three governors appointed him to this position, and

Whereas, during Bob Walsh's tenure on the Board, the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery established a master plan, and

Whereas, a culmination of the Board's work to improve the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery occurred in the summer of 2015, when the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs awarded the State a \$5.7 million grant to add 1,640 new burial plots; construct a new main entrance, public information center, and road system; and facilitate the cemetery's expanding its operations from seasonal to year-round, and

Whereas, after 17 years (1998–2015) of serving as a much-valued member of the Vermont Veterans' Memorial Cemetery Advisory Board, former Representative Bob Walsh has concluded his Board tenure, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Representative Robert Walsh for his advocacy and public service on behalf of the Vermont's Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to former Representative Robert Lawrence Walsh in South Burlington and to the Vermont Office of Veterans Affairs.

#### **H.C.R. 187.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Marion Brown Thorpe, University of Vermont Professor Emerita, on her 100th birthday

Offered by: Representative Townsend of South Burlington

Whereas, Marion Brown Thorpe describes herself as an ordinary person, but truth be told, she has lived an extraordinary life that on November 27, 2015 reached its centennial milestone, and

Whereas, in 1938, following her graduation from Brandon High School, the then Marion Brown earned a bachelor's degree in home economics education at the University of Vermont (UVM), and she continued her studies at Syracuse University where she received a master's degree, and

Whereas, on returning to Vermont, Marion Brown became a teacher in the Northfield Public Schools, and

Whereas, Marion Brown's tenure in Northfield proved brief as State education officials soon selected her as Vermont's Assistant State Supervisor for Home Economics, a role that included a UVM faculty position, and

Whereas, for 33 years, she taught Vermont's prospective school teachers in the fields of home economics and other subjects pertinent to their future classroom careers, and

Whereas, in 1948, Marion Brown was nominated for membership in Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, an organization that honors key women educators, and she holds a longevity record in membership for the Vermont Alpha Lambda Chapter, and

Whereas, later in life, Marion Brown was married to Norman Thorpe, and they established a jointly named UVM scholarship to support students in the teacher education program, and

Whereas, WCAX television has featured her as a super senior, and

Whereas, Marion Browne Thorpe's postretirement UVM honors include the 1999 Outstanding Alumni Award from the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, delivering an opening reflection at the University's historic 200th commencement in 2004, and the University's bestowing on her an honorary doctor of humane letters in 2011, and

Whereas, on October 17, 2015, the Vermont Alpha Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma International Society honored its distinguished colleague at a hundredth birthday commemoration at St. Paul's Cathedral Church in Burlington, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Marion Brown Thorpe, University of Vermont Professor Emerita, on her 100th birthday, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Marion Brown Thorpe.

#### **H.C.R. 188.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Alayna Westcom of Bakersfield on being named Miss Vermont 2015

Offered by: Representative Connor of Fairfield

Whereas, the young women who vie for the Miss America title in Atlantic City each year must first win a preliminary contest in their home state or territory, and

Whereas, on April 25, 2015, the Miss Vermont Scholarship Organization held a gala pageant at the Barre Opera House, and

Whereas, among the contestants, Alayna Westcom, the daughter of Kathy and David Westcom of Bakersfield, so impressed the judges in each of the scoring categories that she won the 2015 Miss Vermont crown, and

Whereas, Alayna Westcom has compiled a superb academic record, and earned six Miss America Academic Achievement Awards and a National Science Scholarship, and

Whereas, she is a 2013 forensic science graduate of Bay Path University in Longmeadow, Massachusetts, with a final cumulative grade point average of 3.97, and

Whereas, her education continued at the University of Vermont, where she completed a medical technology curriculum, and

Whereas, Alayna Westcom is employed as a medical technologist at Northwestern Medical Center in St. Albans and as an autopsy technician at the University of Vermont Medical Center, and

Whereas, her dedication to her Miss Vermont platform of furthering STEM (Science, Technology, Education, and Mathematics) education is evidenced in her role as a volunteer teaching in local science education programs, and

Whereas, as an inducement to students to study STEM subjects, she has developed a dramatic presentation of a scientific experiment, and

Whereas, despite her busy schedule as Miss Vermont 2015, Alayna Westcom traveled thousands of miles and made many appearances promoting the importance of STEM education, and

Whereas, Alayna has represented the Miss Vermont Scholarship organization admirably, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Alayna Westcom of Bakersfield on being named Miss Vermont 2015, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Alayna Westcom in Bakersfield.

**H.C.R. 189.**

House concurrent resolution honoring former Fletcher Town Clerk and Treasurer Elaine Sweet

Offered by: Representative Connor of Fairfield

Whereas, in small Vermont towns, the town clerk and treasurer plays an especially important role as the municipality's primary administrator, and

Whereas, as an individual whose family roots in Fletcher date from 1782, Elaine Sweet has a special affinity for her hometown, and

Whereas, her grandfather, Raynold Sweet, served as Fletcher Road Commissioner, and her great great-uncle, Emerston Spaulding, represented Fletcher in the General Assembly, and

Whereas, Elaine Sweet attended elementary school in Fletcher and graduated from Bellows Free Academy-Fairfax, and

Whereas, she grew up on the family's dairy farm, where her parents, Catherine Rock Sweet and Ernest Elvin Sweet, instilled in her the importance of giving back to the community, and

Whereas, in March 1984, the voters of the town of Fletcher elected Elaine Sweet as their town clerk and treasurer and continued to retain her in this post each time she stood for reelection, and

Whereas, when individuals entered her office, Elaine Sweet greeted them on a first name basis and impressed visitors with a fiercely independent spirit and can do attitude, and

Whereas, she encountered local residents both paying their required property taxes and more joyfully acquiring marriage licenses, and

Whereas, Elaine Sweet's stellar reputation as a public official resulted in being honored on Channel 22 television's local hero series, and

Whereas, in her television interview, she commented perceptively that most researchers coming into a town clerk's office know not to "irk the clerk" if they desire to receive the information they really need, and

Whereas, her special hope for a new and larger town clerk's office space should be a reality in the spring of 2016, and

Whereas, Elaine Sweet's tenure in the combined roles concluded with her retirement on August 31, 2015, and

Whereas, Elaine Sweet looks forward to spending time with her children, Shad and Kristy, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild, and in Florida's tropical winter climate, and

Whereas, her three decades of public service were celebrated at a community farewell party on August 22, 2015, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Fletcher Town Clerk and Treasurer Elaine Sweet, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Elaine Sweet and to the office of the Fletcher Town Clerk.



## H.C.R. 190.

House concurrent resolution in memory of extraordinary Vermont pianist and cultural treasure John Cassel of East Fairfield

Offered by: Representative Connor of Fairfield

Whereas, John Cassel was a vibrant member of Vermont's musical community, whose keyboard versatility was legendary, and

Whereas, music critics beyond Vermont recognized his talent, and

Whereas, the *Montreal Star* described John Cassel's approach to piano playing and vocal improvisation as "original and imaginative," *Downbeat Magazine* wrote that he was "a real find as a pianist," and the *Boston Globe* praised him as "a versatile, laid-back exponent of the jazz piano," and

Whereas, the scope of his repertoire was reflected in the diversity of composers whose works he performed, ranging from musical theater's Cole Porter to jazz impresarios Duke Ellington and Fats Waller and classical music luminary Frédéric Chopin, and

Whereas, John Cassel performed internationally with colleagues as prominent as Chick Corea and Dave Brubeck, but his personal preference was playing in small clubs, and

Whereas, his presence in East Fairfield proved a gravitating attraction to many persons in the early 1970s, and

Whereas, one close friend described John Cassel as a person with "a giant, positive, exuberant spirit," and

Whereas, perhaps John Cassel's favorite venue was the Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe, where he performed for over 30 years, and

Whereas, proprietor Sam Von Trapp described the musician as a person who "touched countless lives with his music, his energy, and his generous spirit," and

Whereas, at the time of his death in September 2014, John Cassel left a void in the Vermont music scene, and

Whereas, John Cassel's many acquaintances will remember fondly his musical talents and wonderful friendship, and

Whereas, the person who will most especially miss John Cassel is his wife, Becky, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its sincere condolences to the family and friends of extraordinary Vermont pianist and cultural treasure John Cassel, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to John Cassel's wife, Becky.

#### **H.C.R. 191.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2015 U.S. Women's World Cup championship soccer team

Offered by: Representatives Jewett of Ripton and Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford

Whereas, the 2015 Women's World Cup was a much anticipated sporting event with a talented American team sparking avid attention in the United States, and

Whereas, the American squad more than met U.S. soccer fans' expectations as superior offensive and defensive playing enabled the team to secure a championship game berth against Japan, and

Whereas, a crowd of 53,341 spectators, many of whom were Americans cheering for the U.S. team, including Vice President Joseph R. Biden Jr., witnessed an historic and memorable game, and

Whereas, the U.S. team scored the earliest goal ever in a Women's World Cup final and defeated Japan 5-2, clinching the 2015 Women's World Cup championship and becoming the first team to win this coveted athletic award three times, and

Whereas, these remarkable athletes were honored in a rare New York City ticker tape parade, and they included Shannon Boxx, Morgan Brian, Lori Chalupny, Whitney Engen, Ashlyn Harris, Tobin Heath, Lauren Holiday, Julie Johnston, Meghan Klingenberg, Ali Krieger, Sydney Leroux, Carli Lloyd, Alex Morgan, Alyssa Naehar, Kelly O'Hara, Heather O'Reilly, Christen Press, Christie Rampone, Megan Rapinoe, Amy Rodriguez, Becky Sauerbrunn, Hope Solo, and Abby Wambach, and

Whereas, the coaching staff included Head Coach Jill Ellis, assistant coaches Tony Gustavsson and Steve Swanson, goalkeeper coach Graeme Abel, and strength and fitness coach Dawn Scott, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2015 U.S. Women's World Cup championship soccer team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the U.S. Soccer Federation in Chicago.

**H.C.R. 192.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating Mary V. and Paul H. Hughes of Rutland on their 75th wedding anniversary

Offered by: Representative Carr of Brandon

Whereas, marriage is the legal and personal joining of two persons deeply in love, who commit to spend their lives together and to be supportive of one another, and

Whereas, Mary V. Nichols was born in Danby, VT in 1920, and

Whereas, Paul H. Hughes was born in Boston, MA in 1919, and

Whereas, when a Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) camp was established in Danby during the 1930s, then teenager Paul Hughes came to Danby as a CCC member, and

Whereas, while working at the Danby CCC camp, Paul Hughes met Mary Nichols and their friendship blossomed into a relationship they desired to continue for the balance of their lives, and

Whereas, on August 31, 1940, Mary Nichols and Paul Hughes were married in the Congregational Church in Danby, and

Whereas, they raised a family of five children, Miggie, Paul II, Lloyd, Katrine, and Chuck, and Mary and Paul Hughes are now the grandparents of 12, and the great-grandparents of 23, and

Whereas, on August 31, 2015, Mary and Paul Hughes celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary, a joyous event that few married couples are privileged to achieve, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Mary and Paul Hughes of Rutland on their 75th wedding anniversary, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mary and Paul Hughes in Rutland.

**H.C.R. 193.**

House concurrent resolution congratulating the National Park Service on its centennial anniversary and celebrating its outstanding conservation, preservation, and recreational activities in Vermont

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, on August 25, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed into law the National Park Service Organic Act, and

Whereas, for the past century, the National Park Service (NPS) has served an essential role in protecting our nation's natural and historic treasures, and is charged with their perpetual protection, enabling the public to enjoy visiting these facilities, and engaging in educational activities, and

Whereas, Vermont is home to the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park in Woodstock, and the 150-mile segment of the 2,185-mile-long Appalachian National Scenic Trail that passes through the State, and

Whereas, NPS's Vermont presence contributes \$2.2 million to the State's economy, and

Whereas, in Vermont, NPS has designated 18 national historic landmarks and listed 833 properties on the National Register of Historic Places, and

Whereas, since 1969, NPS has awarded over \$23 million in historic preservation grants in Vermont and has facilitated \$235 million in historic preservation projects through the federal Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program, and

Whereas, in Vermont, there are 12 national natural landmarks; since 1965, NPS has awarded over \$33 million in Land and Water Conservation Fund grants; and since 1989, NPS's Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program has aided 63 community and recreation projects in the State, and

Whereas, the NPS Federal Lands to Parks program has provided 195 acres of former federal lands to Vermont for recreational purposes, and

Whereas, more than 46 miles of Wild and Scenic Rivers in Vermont have benefited from NPS support and technical assistance, and

Whereas, August 16, 2016 marks the NPS's centennial anniversary, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the National Park Service on its centennial anniversary and celebrates its outstanding conservation, preservation, and recreational activities in Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the National Park Service in Washington, D.C., to its northeast

regional office in Philadelphia, to the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park in Woodstock, and to the Appalachian Trail Park office in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia.

**S.C.R. 25.**

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the Central Vermont Humane Society on its 50th anniversary.

*Whereas*, the Five Freedoms of Animal Welfare are freedom 1) from hunger and thirst; 2) from discomfort; 3) from pain, injury, or disease; 4) to express normal behavior; and 5) from fear and distress, and

*Whereas*, using these five freedoms as its motivation, the Central Vermont Humane Society (CVHS) was established in 1964 with a mission “to protect and advocate for animals in need, and to build a humane community that promotes compassion and seeks to strengthen the human-animal bond,” and

*Whereas*, this mission is achieved through a collaborative process “with other shelters, rescues, and community partners,” and

*Whereas*, a core part of the organization’s work is to prevent and address animal cruelty and neglect, and

*Whereas*, CVHS operates shelters for domestic dogs, cats, and other small animals, and

*Whereas*, other important CVHS roles are providing low-cost rabies vaccinations and microchip identification for animals and offering their human guardians instruction in animal care, and

*Whereas*, CVHS also directs its attention to younger animal lovers through its Humane Heroes kids club as well as a summer camp program, and

*Whereas*, volunteers and interns, who donate hundreds of hours of their time each year, are essential to the successful operation of CVHS, and

*Whereas*, in 2015, CVHS celebrated a half-century of performing good deeds on behalf of domestic pets and small animals in Vermont and campaigning against animal cruelty, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly congratulates the Central Vermont Humane Society on its 50th anniversary, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Central Vermont Humane Society.

**S.C.R. 26.**

Senate concurrent resolution congratulating the Green Mountain Foster Grandparent Program on its 50th anniversary.

*Whereas*, young children and persons 55 years of age or older can be mutually supportive, and

*Whereas*, on the same day in 1965, Sargent Shriver, the Director of the Office of Economy Opportunity, visited both children with intellectual disabilities and a senior citizens center, and

*Whereas*, he recognized the youngsters needed more attention, including being read to and involvement in playing games, than the staff at the children's center could offer, and the adults longed for an activity in which they could offer help and affection to others, and

*Whereas*, Sargent Shriver realized these two groups could form a creative partnership, and

*Whereas*, from this idea emerged the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) that offers continuing intergenerational nurturing relationships, resulting in the participating children's emotional and social growth, increased self-confidence, and breaking of negative stereotypes of old people, and

*Whereas*, the senior volunteers, who are on limited incomes, gain tax-free stipends they spend in their local communities, and studies have documented that seniors' mental and physical health improves, and

*Whereas*, in 1966, a year after the FGP was established, it was introduced in Vermont under the banner of the Green Mountain Foster Grandparent Program (GMFGP), and

*Whereas*, during the past half century, GMFGP has offered its senior volunteers in Addison, Bennington, and Rutland counties a wonderful opportunity to help children, as well as brighten and enhance the volunteers' own lives, and

*Whereas*, according to GMFGP's most recent annualized data, 69 senior volunteers served 848 children at 34 schools or nonprofit organizations for a total of 67,664 community service hours, and

*Whereas*, seniors and children in other Vermont counties beyond GMFGP's jurisdiction are also now participating successfully in the federal FGP, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly congratulates the Green Mountain Foster Grandparent Program on its 50th anniversary, *and be it further*

**Resolved:** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Green Mountain Foster Grandparent Program in Rutland.

**S.C.R. 27.**

Senate concurrent resolution honoring Dr. David Toll of St. Johnsbury for his exemplary dedication to the practice of pediatric medicine.

*Whereas*, David Toll's remarkable career as a St. Johnsbury-based pediatrician thrived for 64 years, and

*Whereas*, at 16 years of age, this Ohioan's high school principal informed David Toll that he was Harvard bound, and

*Whereas*, David Toll completed his medical school admission requirements at 18 years of age, but World War II military service intervened, and

*Whereas*, as hostilities were concluding, the U.S. military sent David Toll to medical school, and he earned his degree at Western Reserve (now Case Western Reserve) University in Cleveland, and

*Whereas*, upon completion of his pediatric training at Boston Children's Hospital, David Toll moved to St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and

*Whereas*, at the time of his arrival in 1951, David Toll was the sole board-certified pediatrician serving the Northeast Kingdom, and

*Whereas*, in his early years, David Toll traveled long distances to make house calls, and his practice always encompassed a large territory, and

*Whereas*, except for two years of military service as a medical officer during the Korean War, David Toll remained in St. Johnsbury and, starting in 1958, worked at the same Main Street office, and

*Whereas*, as a pathology-trained physician, he processed many medical tests that other physicians could not have completed in their own offices, and

*Whereas*, David Toll has been dedicated to his young patients' well-being, and

*Whereas*, he has been a business and civic leader in St. Johnsbury, and

*Whereas*, David Toll's invaluable professional associate, Bridget Toll R.N., was his long-serving professional colleague, and for 39 years has been his wife, and he is the father of Job, Abel, and Seth, and the grandfather of Ben, Alice, Kate, and Margaret, and

*Whereas*, after more than six decades, in November 2015, David Toll, who was featured as a WCAX television super senior, concluded his medical career, and on October 24, 2015 was honored at an open house, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly honors Dr. David Toll of St. Johnsbury for his exemplary dedication to the practice of pediatric medicine, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dr. David Toll.