

No. R-24. House concurrent resolution honoring Richard Carter and Danby–Mt Tabor NOW for their innovative leadership in establishing the new Danby–Mount Tabor veterans memorial.

(H.C.R.10)

Offered by: Representatives Sullivan of Dorset and Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Flory, and Mullin

Whereas, the neighboring Rutland County towns of Danby and Mount Tabor lacked a memorial honoring the military service and many sacrifices, including in some instances the lives, of the over 700 persons from these two communities who served in our nation's Armed Forces during wartime, and

Whereas, in 2014, with the dual purposes of adding this critical landmark to the local vista and providing community programs, residents of both municipalities coalesced to establish the nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization known as Danby–Mt Tabor NOW and selected Richard Carter to chair its board, and

Whereas, there ensued information gathering, fundraising, and purchasing and demolishing the “Pink House,” located at the intersection of South Main Street and Mount Tabor Avenue in Danby, just 300 feet from the Mount Tabor line, to create a location for the new memorial, design work, and construction, and

Whereas, at the October 2016 dedication ceremony, U.S. Army veteran Kyle Aines, who served two tours in Iraq, spoke; Harvey Howard, who, in 1967 at 20 years of age, was the last Danby or Mount Tabor resident killed while serving during the Vietnam War, was honored; and the Brattleboro American Legion Band played music appropriate for the occasion, and

Whereas, a 20-foot wide by 14-foot high wall listing the honorees and a decorative wrought-iron sign and a medallion painted by Danby artist Diane Meitrott are prominent monument features, and

Whereas, names of the most recent Middle East combat veterans will be added to the wall, and

Whereas, the dedication and exemplary leadership of Danby–Mt Tabor NOW and especially of Richard Carter to the establishment of this veterans memorial have made this impressive civic edifice a reality, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Richard Carter and Danby–Mt Tabor NOW for their innovative leadership in establishing the new Danby–Mount Tabor veterans memorial, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Richard Carter, to Danby–Mt Tabor NOW, and to Diane Meitrott.