

No. R-318. House concurrent resolution in memory of Theodor H. Friedman of Winhall.

(H.C.R.253)

Offered by: Representative Pajala of Londonderry

Offered by: Senators Campion and Sears

Whereas, Ted Friedman graduated from Worcester Academy, Rutgers University, and the Philadelphia Textile Institute and later co-owned restaurants and worked as a stockbroker in New York City, and

Whereas, in the 1970s, his enthusiasm for Vermont's outdoor recreational activities spurred his move to the community of Bondville in the town of Winhall, hardly envisioning the life of public service that awaited him, and

Whereas, Ted Friedman's first post was on the Winhall Planning Commission, and he acquired an insider's perspective on local public education during a term on the Winhall school board, and

Whereas, beginning in 1975, and except for a brief interlude to serve as a lister, Ted Friedman sat on the Winhall Selectboard until 1997, and he sat on the board of civil authority for 40 years, and

Whereas, the descriptions "selectman's selectman" and "a selectman for all seasons" have been applied to his remarkable service on the town's primary governance panel, and

Whereas, during Ted Friedman's years on the selectboard, the town of Winhall created the Winhall-Stratton Fire District, built a new municipal building and town recycling shed, renovated the town library, improved public safety protection, enacted ordinances covering animal control and sewage disposal, authorized road improvements, and purchased needed equipment for the highway department, and

Whereas, Ted Friedman served as a Windham Regional Commissioner and on many of the Commission's committees, and

Whereas, he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, and

Whereas, Ted Friedman, known locally as the Honorary Mayor of Bondville, died on November 3, 2017 at 89 years of age, leaving an enduring legacy of accomplishment and goodwill in his adopted hometown, and his survivors include his brother, Howard; nieces and a nephew; and grandnieces and grandnephews, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Theodor H. Friedman of Winhall, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of Ted Friedman's family and to the Winhall Town Clerk.