

**No. R-320. House concurrent resolution honoring former University of Vermont Morgan Horse Farm Director Stephen P. Davis.**

(H.C.R.255)

Offered by: Representative Smith of New Haven

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Bray

Whereas, the University of Vermont (UVM) Morgan Horse Farm in Weybridge, through sophisticated breeding activities, professional training programs, and public education events, assures the future of Vermont's, and the nation's, oldest domestically originated horse breed, which is the Vermont State Animal, and

Whereas, for 45 years, Steve Davis worked on the UVM Morgan Horse Farm's staff, including 32 years as the facility's outstanding director, and

Whereas, Steve Davis has served as an expert judge at major equine competitions, including at the Morgan World Championship, and

Whereas, he has been awarded numerous State, regional, and national titles in recognition of the excellence of the horses he has trained, bred, or shown, and

Whereas, in 2010, the American Morgan Horse Association honored Steve Davis, presenting him the organization's Professional Horseman Award in recognition of his support and promotion of the Morgan breed, volunteer mentoring at clinics, raising of training and educational horsemanship standards, and success over many years in sustaining the farm's important mission, and

Whereas, in 2017, Steve Davis concluded his admirable career at the UVM Morgan Horse Farm, leaving an exemplary legacy, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former University of Vermont Morgan Horse Farm Director Stephen P. Davis, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Steve Davis and to the UVM Morgan Horse Farm.