

Journal of the Senate

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2017

The Senate was called to order by the President *pro tempore*.

Devotional Exercises

A moment of silence was observed in lieu of devotions.

Message from the House No. 70

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Rebecca Silbernagel, its Second Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has passed a House bill of the following title:

H. 233. An act relating to protecting working forests and habitat.

In the passage of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The House has considered Senate proposal of amendment to House proposal of amendment to Senate bill of the following title:

S. 61. An act relating to offenders with mental illness.

And has concurred therein.

The House has adopted House concurrent resolutions of the following titles:

H.C.R. 158. House concurrent resolution honoring John Bisbee for his nearly three decades of extraordinary public service as a guardian ad litem.

H.C.R. 159. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Westford School Periodic Pandas on their selection as semifinalists in the FIRSTLEGO League Global Innovation Award competition.

H.C.R. 160. House concurrent resolution congratulating The Bank of Bennington on its 100th anniversary.

H.C.R. 161. House concurrent resolution honoring Summer Stoutes of Tinmouth for her selfless generosity as a kidney donor and congratulating Brent Garrow on his successful transplant surgery recovery and resumption of his firefighting and law enforcement careers.

H.C.R. 162. House concurrent resolution honoring Ron Stahley for his insightful public education leadership.

H.C.R. 163. House concurrent resolution commemorating the 75th anniversary of the U.S. Navy Construction Battalions, the Seabees.

H.C.R. 164. House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative Paul Harrington on his outstanding public policy career.

H.C.R. 165. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Bethel Public Library on its 125th anniversary.

H.C.R. 166. House concurrent resolution honoring Newport City Fire Department members 1st Assistant Chief Phil Laramie, Captain Kevin LaCoss, Lieutenant Andrew Carbine, and Firefighter Ryan Abel on their heroic rescue in Coventry.

H.C.R. 167. House concurrent resolution honoring Lila M. Richardson on the completion of her distinguished career as a Vermont Legal Aid attorney.

H.C.R. 168. House concurrent resolution in memory of Robert Harvey Beach Sr..

H.C.R. 169. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2016 Burlington High School Seahorses Division I championship boys' soccer team.

H.C.R. 170. House concurrent resolution honoring Sue Duprat on her outstanding varsity athletics coaching and administrative career.

H.C.R. 171. House concurrent resolution congratulating Lisa A.M. Atwood and Amy L. Rex on being named corecipients of the 2017 Robert F. Pierce Secondary School Principal of the Year Award.

H.C.R. 172. House concurrent resolution congratulating Duane Pierson on receiving the 2017 Henry R. Giaguque Vermont Elementary Principal of the Year Award.

H.C.R. 173. House concurrent resolution honoring the extraordinary public service and sacrifice of the Morse family of Jay and congratulating Helen (Sargent) Morse on her 95th birthday.

H.C.R. 174. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Harwood Union High School Highlanders State championship boys' alpine skiing team.

H.C.R. 175. House concurrent resolution congratulating Vermonters Brennon Crossmon, Jacobi Lafferty, and Ethan Whalen on their outstanding athletic performances at the 2017 Elks Hoop Shoot Finals.

H.C.R. 176. House concurrent resolution commemorating the centennial anniversary of the Fair Haven Grade School.

H.C.R. 177. House concurrent resolution congratulating Grace Cottage Hospital on being recognized as one of the nation's top 20 critical access hospitals for patient satisfaction.

H.C.R. 178. House concurrent resolution congratulating St. Johnsbury Academy on its 175th anniversary.

H.C.R. 179. House concurrent resolution honoring John Miner for his three decades of outstanding leadership in support of Vermont's Vietnam Veterans.

H.C.R. 180. House concurrent resolution congratulating Mary Ellen Sennett of Bennington on her 100th birthday.

H.C.R. 181. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2017 Thetford Academy Panthers Division III championship girls' basketball team.

H.C.R. 182. House concurrent resolution congratulating Arlington Memorial High School on its receipt of a 2017 U.S. News & World Report Best High School in America Silver Medal.

H.C.R. 183. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2016 St. Johnsbury Babe Ruth League 13-years-of-age State championship baseball team.

H.C.R. 184. House concurrent resolution congratulating Lucinda Storz of Kirby on winning her third consecutive Vermont Scripps Spelling Bee championship.

H.C.R. 185. House concurrent resolution thanking David and June Keenan of Essex for their generous donation to the State House art collection of a Keith Rocco print depicting the Battle of Cedar Creek.

H.C.R. 186. House concurrent resolution in memory of Vermont skiing legend Wendell Cram.

H.C.R. 187. House concurrent resolution congratulating Stephen Rice on winning the 2016 Arthur Williams Award for Meritorious Service to the Arts.

H.C.R. 188. House concurrent resolution congratulating former Fire Chief Ronald P. Lindsey Sr. on the 50th anniversary of his service with the Shaftsbury Fire Department.

H.C.R. 189. House concurrent resolution honoring Duane "Buster" Bandy of Windsor for his outstanding municipal public service.

H.C.R. 190. House concurrent resolution honoring Robert Mason for his unique leadership in the Chittenden South Supervisory Union.

In the adoption of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The House has considered concurrent resolution originating in the Senate of the following title:

S.C.R. 14. Senate concurrent resolution recognizing the establishment of the Coolidge Scholars Program and congratulating the first class of Coolidge Scholars..

S.C.R. 15. Senate concurrent resolution designating October 16, 2017 as John Brown Day in Vermont..

And has adopted the same in concurrence.

Message from the House No. 71

A message was received from the House of Representatives by Ms. Melissa Kucserik, its First Assistant Clerk, as follows:

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate that:

The House has considered a bill originating in the Senate of the following title:

S. 103. An act relating to the regulation of toxic substances and hazardous materials.

And has passed the same in concurrence with proposal of amendment in the adoption of which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Adjournment

On motion of Senator Kitchel, the Senate adjourned until ten o'clock in the morning on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.