

No. R-22. House concurrent resolution honoring James Hathaway for his dedication to improving the lives of children.

(H.C.R.15)

Offered by: Representative Sullivan of Dorset

Whereas, as Orvis's Senior Communications and Conservation Manager, Jamie Hathaway oversaw the distribution of millions of dollars to international animal welfare and conservation programs, and

Whereas, in the nonprofit sector, he has served as Director of Communications and Development for PeaceTrees Vietnam, an organization dedicated to "removing dangerous explosives, returning land to safe use, promoting peace, and cultivating a brighter future for the children and families of Vietnam," and

Whereas, based on his Vietnam experience, Jamie Hathaway cofounded Clear Path International (CPI), an organization that assists civilian victims in postconflict areas, providing direct medical and social services in Afghanistan, Cambodia, Vietnam, and along the Thailand–Myanmar border, and

Whereas, while continuing as CPI's Director of Communications, Jamie Hathaway has also assumed a Vermont-focused role as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Make-A-Wish Vermont, and

Whereas, since 1989, Make-A-Wish Vermont has granted over 830 personal wishes to Vermont children with life-threatening or extremely serious medical conditions, and

Whereas, the great success and effectiveness of Make-A-Wish Vermont can be attributed, in significant part, to the work of Jamie Hathaway, and

Whereas, his deep empathy for children whose lives are in peril makes him an ideal person to lead Make-A-Wish Vermont, and

Whereas, for these critically ill children, for whom joy is tragically limited, the granting of personal wishes brightens their lives, and

Whereas, Jamie Hathaway's determination to improve the lives of children, both in war-torn nations and in Vermont, is highly admirable, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors James Hathaway for his dedication to improving the lives of children, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jamie Hathaway.