

**No. R-31. House concurrent resolution honoring Aaron Adler for his exemplary public service as an attorney in Vermont State government.**

(H.C.R.24)

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, throughout his legal career, Aaron Adler has practiced law conscientiously, ethically, skillfully, and free from personal bias, and

Whereas, Aaron Adler earned an undergraduate degree in history, summa cum laude, from Brandeis University and a juris doctorate degree from Yale Law School, and

Whereas, he practiced environmental law in a California law firm before entering a career in public service in Vermont, where he was employed as an Associate General Counsel at the former Environmental Board and, subsequently, as a Special Counsel at the Department of Public Service, and

Whereas, in 2000, as a member of the State team that created Efficiency Vermont, Aaron Adler was a recipient of the Governor's Award for Outstanding Performance, and

Whereas, his expertise in the legal intricacies of Act 250 as well as on diverse aspects of environmental and energy policies provided a solid foundation for his serving as the Deputy General Counsel at the Agency of Natural Resources, and

Whereas, Aaron Adler long admired the role of legislative counsel and appreciated the challenges attorneys encounter when working for all political parties and on multiple sides of an issue, and

Whereas, in 2008, the Office of Legislative Council needed a new attorney specializing in energy, environmental, and land use issues, and

Whereas, Aaron Adler's relevant legal background, sincere interest in Legislative Branch employment, and experience chairing the Brookfield Planning Commission all contributed to his being hired, and

Whereas, he has won the respect of the members of the General Assembly for his work on the, at times, contentious topics of Act 250's future, net metering, and energy siting, especially of proposed wind towers, and

Whereas, Aaron Adler has also served admirably in the demanding role of counsel to the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, and

Whereas, after a decade as a respected General Assembly lawyer, Aaron Adler has concluded three decades of superb State service, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Aaron Adler for his exemplary public service as an attorney in Vermont State government and extends best wishes to him in his future endeavors, and be it further

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