

No. R-88. House concurrent resolution honoring Dr. Dennis LeBlanc for his four decades of outstanding dental service in Derby.

(H.C.R.70)

Offered by: Representatives Smith of Derby, Batchelor of Derby, Lefebvre of Newark, Marcotte of Coventry, and Page of Newport City

Whereas, Dennis LeBlanc grew up on his family's Burton Hill dairy farm in Barton, where farm chores, including milking the family's Registered Holsteins, were a daily part of his boyhood, and

Whereas, he attended St. Paul's Catholic School in Barton and graduated from Sacred Heart High School in Newport, and

Whereas, with ambitions for a career beyond the farm, Dennis LeBlanc enrolled at the University of Vermont, from which he graduated in 1972, the same year he and his wife, Cindy, a dental hygienist and also a UVM graduate, were married, and

Whereas, having decided to become a dentist, Dennis LeBlanc and Cindy moved to Philadelphia, where he entered Temple University School of Dentistry, and

Whereas, in 1976, with his newly awarded dental degree in hand, Dr. Dennis LeBlanc and Cindy LeBlanc headed home to the Northeast Kingdom, where Dennis LeBlanc intended to commence the practice of dentistry, and

Whereas, he worked in the dental office of Dr. George Leland in Orleans, gaining important practical experience as well as expert advice, and

Whereas, in 1977, now ready to venture out on his own, Dr. LeBlanc decided to open a practice in the Taylor Moore Building on Main Street in Derby, a town where he already had many acquaintances, and

Whereas, his talent as a dentist became well known, and the practice expanded, resulting in his 1998 purchase of a house, conveniently located on Derby's Main Street, which offered more office space, and

Whereas, perhaps unique among Vermont's dentists, Dr. Dennis Leblanc is a former Vermont Golden Gloves boxer, and he trained noted amateur boxer, Tony Robitaille, and later served on the former Vermont Boxing Control Board, and

Whereas, after 43 years of serving as Derby's dependable dentist, Dr. Dennis LeBlanc has turned over the practice to a carefully selected professional colleague, and he and his wife are anticipating spending more time with their children and grandchildren, and traveling, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Dr. Dennis LeBlanc for his four decades of outstanding dental service in Derby, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dr. Dennis LeBlanc.