

No. R-112. House concurrent resolution congratulating Charles Harvey on 50 years of exemplary firefighting service in the Town of Bennington.

(H.C.R.94)

Offered by: Representatives Morrissey of Bennington, Bates of Bennington, Carroll of Bennington, and Corcoran of Bennington

Offered by: Senators Campion and Sears

Whereas, Charlie Harvey joined the Eagle Hose Company (the Company) in November 1969, and

Whereas, throughout his firefighting service, Charlie Harvey has always been the source of great camaraderie for his colleagues, and he refers to his many friends as “sport,” and

Whereas, over the years, Charlie Harvey has become a master pump operator, and

Whereas, new members of the Company have learned important firefighting skills from Charlie Harvey, who has completed countless hours of training classes, and who enjoys teaching but also loves to joke with new recruits, and

Whereas, Charlie Harvey has assumed leadership at fire sites, having served as both second and first foreman of the Company, and

Whereas, he has served on the Company’s Battle Day committee, that assists organizing the annual Bennington Battle Day celebrations and on the bylaw committee, and

Whereas, Charlie Harvey is a veteran member of the Bennington Rescue Squad, and

Whereas, the alarm need not ring to bring Charlie Harvey to the scene, as he was once returning from a fire and encountered a second blaze at the intersection of Union and Main Streets in Bennington, and when a man extricated a child from the burning building and brought the youngster to Charlie Harvey, the always-prepared first responder successfully administered CPR, and

Whereas, he enjoyed attending the fire chiefs’ conventions in Springfield, Massachusetts, and was the proprietor of Charlie’s Hot Dogs, his popular Main Street stand, and

Whereas, after 50 years on call, Charlie Harvey still enjoys performing public service as a member of the Eagle Hose Company, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Charles Harvey on 50 years of exemplary firefighting service in the Town of Bennington, and be it further

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