

**No. R-187. House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative David L. Deen of Westminster.**

(H.C.R.154)

Offered by: Representatives Mrowicki of Putney, Hashim of Dummerston, Partridge of Windham, and Trieber of Rockingham

Offered by: Senators Balint and White

Whereas, “point of order” was certainly the phrase most closely associated with former Representative David Deen, as he was always alert to parliamentary missteps, citing his mastery of *Mason’s Manual of Legislative Procedure*, and

Whereas, as Chair of the Committee on Natural Resources, Fish, and Wildlife, he devoted considerable attention to environmental matters, and

Whereas, David Deen was born in Abington, Pennsylvania, attended the University of Connecticut, and earned a master’s degree in environmental science from the Antioch New England Graduate School, and

Whereas, his first successful foray into electoral politics occurred during the 1987–1988 biennium, serving a term as a Windham County Senator, and

Whereas, in 1991, David Deen returned to the General Assembly as the member of the House from Westminster, starting an extraordinarily productive 27–year tenure, and

Whereas, his conscientious and dedicated work produced critical legislation intended to improve the quality of the State’s waters and preserve Vermont’s constitutionally enshrined right to hunt and fish, and

Whereas, former Representative David Deen helped oversee State taxation policy as Vice Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means and reviewed municipal affairs as a member of the Committee on Local Government, and

Whereas, David Deen is an avid fisherman, holds memberships in several fishing organizations, and has worked as a professional fishing guide, and

Whereas, he served as a river steward for the Connecticut River Watershed Council, exemplifying his concern for the quality of Vermont’s waters, and

Whereas, after nearly three decades as the member of the House from Westminster, former Representative David Deen, husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, cast his final legislative vote in June 2018, concluding a long and illustrious State legislative career, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Representative David L. Deen of Westminster, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to former Representative David Deen.