

No. R-212. House concurrent resolution in memory of Franklin County Assistant Judge Robert Johnson of St. Albans Town.

(H.C.R.173)

Offered by: Representatives Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Toof of St. Albans Town, Fegard of Berkshire, Gamache of Swanton, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, Leffler of Enosburgh, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Murphy of Fairfax, Rosenquist of Georgia, and Savage of Swanton

Offered by: Senators Parent and Brock

Whereas, during Bob Johnson's 18 years of municipal public service, the citizens of St. Albans Town came to appreciate his civic dedication, and

Whereas, while serving St. Albans Town, including terms chairing the planning commission and the development review board, he maintained a demanding job as a federal air traffic controller, and

Whereas, his familiarity with local land-use policy enabled Bob Johnson to serve knowledgeably on the Northwest Regional Planning Commission, and

Whereas, during two different periods of time, the St. Albans Town's electorate chose Bob Johnson to be one of its selectboard members, and he approached the panel's agenda with a critical eye, carefully assessing the advisability of new municipal initiatives, and

Whereas, in 2010, Bob Johnson embarked on a new public service career with his election as a Franklin County Assistant Judge, and

Whereas, Bob Johnson completed a seven-month certification course that qualified him to serve as a Judicial Bureau hearing officer, and

Whereas, when sitting in family and civil proceedings at Franklin County Superior Court, Judge Bob Johnson brought a local perspective to the cases, which rotating presiding judges lacked, and

Whereas, he worked to make the Franklin County Courthouse accessible for persons with disabilities and championed this historic building's continuance as an active courthouse, and

Whereas, to the dismay of his family, judicial colleagues, and many friends, Judge Bob Johnson died unexpectedly, on April 30, 2019, and his survivors include his wife, St. Albans Town Manager Carrie Johnson, and their children, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Franklin County Assistant Judge Robert Johnson of St. Albans Town, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the family of Bob Johnson, to the St. Albans Town Clerk, and to the Franklin County Clerk.