

**No. R-366. House concurrent resolution congratulating O.C. McCuin & Sons of Highgate on its centennial.**

(H.C.R.297)

Offered by: Representatives Hango of Berkshire, Fegard of Berkshire, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Gamache of Swanton, Graham of Williamstown, Gregoire of Fairfield, Leffler of Enosburgh, McCarthy of St. Albans City, Morgan of Milton, Murphy of Fairfax, Norris of Shoreham, Rosenquist of Georgia, Savage of Swanton, Seymour of Sutton, Smith of New Haven, and Toof of St. Albans Town

Offered by: Senators Brock and Parent

Whereas, in 1914, Owen and Ella McCuin purchased a small building on the Gore Road in Highgate Center, from which they sold bulk feed grain to farmers, and

Whereas, the couple soon relocated their building to what is now Route 78, and in 1920 they named their feed store O.C. McCuin & Sons, and

Whereas, in 1948, the McCuins' son Owen Jr. joined the business, which soon expanded its product line to include hardware items and garden supplies, as well as plumbing, electrical, and heating services, and

Whereas, other innovations were the installation of gasoline pumps for motorists and the introduction of major appliance retailing, and

Whereas, in 2020, the third generation of the McCuin family, brothers Owen III and Corey, now own this greatly expanded mercantile enterprise, which has evolved into a hub of community activity, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates O.C. McCuin & Sons of Highgate on its centennial, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to O.C. McCuin & Sons in Highgate.