CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

Text of House and Senate Concurrent Resolutions

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Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16

The following concurrent resolutions will be adopted automatically unless a Representative or Senator requests floor consideration before the end of Friday's legislative session. Requests for floor consideration must be communicated to the House Clerk's office or the Senate Secretary's office.

Resolutions

H.C.R. 7.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex High School Hornets girls' volleyball team on winning its second consecutive State championship

Offered by: Representatives Myers of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Giambatista of Essex, Houghton of Essex, and Redmond of Essex

<u>Whereas</u>, in 2016, Vermont became the last state to approve high school varsity volleyball competition, and the sport's increased popularity resulted in 12 girls' and seven boys' teams participating in the fall 2018 season, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the 2018 State championship game, played in Colchester, the top-seeded and defending girls' volleyball champions, the Essex Hornets, strongly rebounded from an opening 4–0 scoring deficit to secure the 2018 State title with three individual set victories of 25–20, 25–14, and 25–17 against rival Champlain Valley Union High School, and

Whereas, this grand finale enabled the Hornets to conclude their 2018 season with an undefeated 17–0 record, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Hornets Jessica Rose, Molly Ardren, Kayla Boutin, Amelia Duffy, Rachel Yandow, Grace Asoera, Megane Hamel, Amanda Lyon, Elizabeth Goodrich, Jazmin Munson, Madeline Folsom, Kathryn Deibler, Paige Winter, and Valerie Bessette played with genuine enthusiasm, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Head Coach Jen Liguori has set the gold standard for coaching girls' volleyball at a Vermont high school, and the support of team managers Montia Peart and Kayla Adiang was most appreciated, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Essex High School Hornets girls' volleyball team on winning its second consecutive State championship, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Essex High School.

H.C.R. 8.

House concurrent resolution recognizing January as National Stalking Awareness Month in Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Grad of Moretown and Pugh of South Burlington

Whereas, 13 V.S.A § 1061 defines the crime of stalking as engaging "purposefully in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that the person engaging in the conduct knows or should know would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of another or would cause a reasonable person substantial emotional distress," and

 $\underline{Whereas},$ stalking has been criminalized in every state but remains far too prevalent, and

<u>Whereas</u>, according to the U.S. Department of Justice's Stalking Resource Center, 7.5 million persons are stalked in one year in the U.S., and

Whereas, stalking is a crime in which victims are both male and female, but women are especially vulnerable, and

Whereas, an estimated 15 percent of women and six percent of men are stalked during their lifetimes, and

Whereas, the stalker of 61 percent of female victims and 44 percent of male victims is a current or former intimate partner, and

Whereas, 32 percent of male victims and 25 percent of female victims are subjected to stalking by an acquaintance, and

Whereas, approximately 50 percent of all victims report that they were stalked before the age of 25, and

<u>Whereas</u>, since stalking was criminalized in Vermont in 1993, perpetrators of this crime have employed more advanced technology, such as a GPS location system, that enables them to track their victims at far greater distances, and

<u>Whereas</u>, stalking may result in victims suffering psychological distress, losing time from work, changing employment, seeking judicial protection orders, or deciding to relocate to another community, and

Whereas, public awareness activities can increase Vermonters' knowledge of stalking's lethal potential and encourage public safety officials to devote greater attention to this crime, and

<u>Whereas</u>, January has been designated as National Stalking Awareness Month, and stalking is a problem that deserves Vermonters' serious attention, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes January as National Stalking Awareness Month in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence and to Anna Nasset.

H.C.R. 9.

House concurrent resolution in memory of Representative James O'Neill Condon of Colchester

Offered by: All Members of the House

<u>Whereas</u>, during his seven terms as the member from Colchester, the booming, but always personable, voice of veteran radio broadcaster Jim Condon drew attention and respect in committee and in the well of the House of Representatives, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Jim Condon graduated from the University of Connecticut and started his career as a radio broadcaster and news director in New London, Connecticut, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the early 1980s, Jim Condon opted to leave the Nutmeg State's ocean shores and moved north to the Green Mountain State, where he and his New London radio colleague, Louie Manno, initially cohosted a humorous morning show on WQCR (now WOKO), and while working at WQCR, Jim Condon met fellow broadcaster Ginny McGehee, whom he married in 1993, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the 1990s, the Condon-Manno team migrated to the AM dial, where they entertained listeners on WKDR-AM, of which Jim Condon was a co-owner, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Vermont Associated Press awarded Jim Condon its Newscaster and Sportscaster of the Year, and for a decade he served as the executive director of the Vermont Association of Broadcasters, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Condon-Manno partnership extended beyond the airwaves as the two friends co-owned and operated the Radio Deli in Burlington, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Jim Condon's civic interests motivated him to stand for election to the House of Representatives, where he served with distinction and pride for seven terms beginning in 2005, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Representative Jim Condon served a term on the Committee on Commerce and then began his six-term tenure as a valued member of the Committee on Ways and Means, and

<u>Whereas</u>, he was known as a creative and dedicated advocate for tax policy alternatives that he hoped might garner broad support, and politics aside, he was a popular legislative colleague, and

Whereas, Representative Jim Condon died on August 23, 2018, and his survivors include his wife and son, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Representative James O'Neill Condon of Colchester, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of Jim Condon's family and to Louie Manno.

H.C.R. 10.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Team Mooney of the Rutland Rocks Curling Club on winning the 2018 Grand National Curling Club Arena Championship

Offered by: Representatives Fagan of Rutland City, Cupoli of Rutland City, Howard of Rutland City, Notte of Rutland City, Page of Newport City, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Hooker, and McNeil

<u>Whereas</u>, curling is often considered an essentially Canadian sport, but this challenging game, pushing a large stone down a long slab of ice, has gained many enthusiasts south of the 49th parallel, and

Whereas, in 2007, the Rutland Rocks Curling Club was established, and since its formation, the club has grown to include more than 50 dedicated curlers, and this volunteer-managed organization receives support from its members, local sponsors, and the Rutland Recreation Department, and

Whereas, the Giorgetti Arena in Rutland serves as the club's curling home, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the Rutland Rocks' mastery of curling's skills and tactics has largely been a self-taught process, involving trial and error, but ultimately increasing success, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the 11th season of the Rutland Rocks Curling Club proved a turning point in its history of competitive competition, and

Whereas, representing the club on the ice at the 2018 Grand National Curling Club Arena Championship was the curling squad known as Team Mooney, consisting of Dean Mooney as its skip, Linda Mercier playing the vice role, Gary Watulak serving as the second, and Glenn Campbell acting as the lead, and

<u>Whereas</u>, as generous, thoughtful, and upstanding individuals, the members of Team Mooney embody the true spirit of curling, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the 2018 Grand National Curling Club Arena Championship was conducted from June 22 to 24 at the Hanaway Rink of the Plymouth State University Savage Welcome Center & Ice Arena in Plymouth, New Hampshire, and

Whereas, 18 capable and talented teams, representing their respective East Coast curling clubs, engaged in a vigorous three-day schedule of games at this curling championship, and

<u>Whereas</u>, deftly applying its hard-earned skills, with great stamina and brilliant strategy, Team Mooney was victorious in all four of the event's games and won this coveted 2018 championship, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Team Mooney of the Rutland Rocks Curling Club on winning the 2018 Grand National Curling Club Arena Championship, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Rutland Rocks Curling Club.

H.C.R. 11.

House concurrent resolution honoring Jamie Heath of Barre for her personal perseverance and unique literary contribution to the Make-A-Wish Foundation

Offered by: Representatives Sullivan of Dorset, Anthony of Barre City, LaClair of Barre Town, McFaun of Barre Town, and Walz of Barre City

Whereas, Jamie Heath, a senior at Spaulding High School, has conquered extraordinary life challenges, and

<u>Whereas</u>, she has a medical condition known as arteriovenous malformation, which caused her to sustain two strokes, one at seven years of age from which she recovered, and a second at 14 years of age that left her unable to move her right arm and blocked her reading and walking capabilities, and

Whereas, early in the difficult recovery process, Jamie Heath learned that her critical, but not terminal, medical condition still qualified her for a wish from the Make-A-Wish organization, and she elected the opportunity to swim with sea turtles in Hawaii, and

Whereas, the wish proved to be extremely therapeutic in her ultimately successful recovery process, and

<u>Whereas</u>, upon her return from Hawaii, Jamie Heath collaborated with southern Vermont illustrator Leonard Wells Kenyon, creating a book entitled *Wishes are Medicine! How Make-A-Wish Gave Me Hope and Helped Me Heal*, and

<u>Whereas</u>, upon the book's publication, she toured the State, under the auspices of Make-A-Wish Vermont, to share how her wish experience served as a critical catalyst in her recovery process, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Jamie greatly impressed officials from Make-A-Wish America, and the national organization invited her to read the book before an audience of approximately 1,000 persons gathered in Arizona, and

<u>Whereas</u>, her presentation triggered book orders from more than 35 Make-A-Wish chapters as a way to promote the organization's mission, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Jamie Heath has inspired critically ill youngsters throughout the United States and Canada and aspires to a career with Make-A-Wish or a similarly focused nonprofit organization, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Jamie Heath of Barre for her personal perseverance and unique literary contribution to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and extends best future wishes, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jamie Heath in Barre.

H.C.R. 12.

House concurrent resolution recognizing the important health care contribution of nurse anesthetists in Vermont

Offered by: Representative LaClair of Barre Town

<u>Whereas</u>, nurse anesthetists were the first group of American health care professionals to administer anesthesia to surgical patients, and

Whereas, this specialized field of care subsequently became the first clinical nursing specialty, and

<u>Whereas</u>, nurse anesthetists have been primary providers of anesthesia for the U.S. military since the Civil War and recently served in Iraq and Afghanistan, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1931, nurse anesthetist Agatha Hodgins, who previously had directed the formation of the Lakeside Hospital School of Anesthesia in Cleveland, Ohio, organized the National Association of Nurse Anesthetists, which in 1939 was renamed the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists, and

<u>Whereas</u>, to become a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA), one must earn a bachelor's degree of science in nursing, qualify as a registered nurse, work in an acute care nursing position for a minimum of one year, complete graduate-level education in one of the nationally accredited programs in nurse anesthesia, and pass the examination that the National Board of Certification and Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists administers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered, such as traditional hospital surgical suites, obstetrical delivery rooms, Critical Access Hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, and the offices of dentists and podiatrists, as well as working for the U.S. Public Health Service and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and

<u>Whereas</u>, nearly 53,000 CRNAs across the United States, including those who practice in Vermont, are part of the solution for lowering the cost of health care, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the week of January 20–26, 2019 has been designated as National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Week, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the important health care contribution of nurse anesthetists in Vermont, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont Association of Nurse Anesthetists.

H.C.R. 13.

House concurrent resolution designating January 23, 2019 as Vermont Retired State Employees Association Day at the State House

Offered by: Representative Wood of Waterbury

<u>Whereas</u>, the Vermont Retired State Employees Association (VRSEA) was established "to protect and enhance state retirees" pension and health care benefits," and it represents all retired State employees and beneficiaries who receive these benefits, and

<u>Whereas</u>, aside from its central mission of safeguarding the well-deserved benefits that accrue to retired State employees, the VRSEA also exists to "promote good will and fellowship among all retired state employees," and

<u>Whereas</u>, current retired State employees have given a combined 210,000 years of public service on behalf of Vermonters, and

<u>Whereas</u>, their public service careers have encompassed many vital roles, such as ensuring public safety, maintaining the State's transportation infrastructure, protecting Vermont's forests and wildlife, and providing support services for children, and

<u>Whereas</u>, 78 percent of the VRSEA members continue to reside in Vermont, remaining active in their respective communities and contributing to the State's economy through expenditures from their pension incomes, and

Whereas, their postretirement volunteer service on behalf of municipalities and nonprofit organizations is of great societal benefit, and

<u>Whereas</u>, many retired State employees return to work on a seasonal or temporary basis, providing valuable organizational support and performing key tasks that might otherwise not be completed, and

<u>Whereas</u>, today, Wednesday, January 23, 2019, VRSEA members are visiting the State House to discuss, with members of the General Assembly, issues of great importance to retired State employees, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates January 23, 2019 as Vermont Retired State Employees Association Day at the State House, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the VRSEA.

H.C.R. 14.

House concurrent resolution recognizing the important work of MENTOR Vermont and designating January 23, 2019 as Mentoring Day at the State House

Offered by: Representative Webb of Shelburne

Whereas, the future of Vermont depends on the success of our youths, and

<u>Whereas</u>, mentoring relationships, focused on the volunteer involvement of caring adult mentors, offer youths valuable support to improve their school attendance, academic performance, and postsecondary educational prospects and develop constructive and healthy lifelong habits, and

Whereas, according to MENTOR: The National Mentoring Partnership, one in three youths will grow up without a formal or natural mentor, and

Whereas, mentored youths also exhibit improved resiliency and better relationships with peers and family members and feel greater connectedness to their community and school, and

<u>Whereas</u>, partnerships between businesses, schools, youth service organizations, and mentoring programs allow businesses to effectively support youths within the community, and

<u>Whereas</u>, collaborative mentoring programs that the entire community supports, either locally or statewide, offer greater visibility to mentoring and can serve more youths, and

<u>Whereas</u>, since 2002, January has been designated as National Mentoring Month, a month-long outreach campaign focusing national attention on the need for mentors as well as on how we can work together to increase the number of mentors and assure brighter futures for our young people, and

Whereas, in 2003, the first Vermont mentoring program was inaugurated in Chittenden County, and since 2013, MENTOR Vermont (known as Mobius until October 2018) has facilitated the development of mentoring programs throughout the State, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 2019, with 140 adult-to-youth mentoring program sites, serving 2,300 mentor pairs, MENTOR Vermont, in collaboration with other mentoring programs, is committed to increasing access to mentoring statewide, and

Whereas, Jim Hyde, the 2018 Vermont Mentor of the Year, has described mentoring as "where magic happens," and

<u>Whereas</u>, today, January 23, 2019, representatives of the mentoring community are visiting the State House, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the important work of MENTOR Vermont and designates January 23, 2019 as Mentoring Day at the State House.

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to MENTOR Vermont.

H.C.R. 15.

House concurrent resolution honoring James Hathaway for his dedication to improving the lives of children

Offered by: Representative Sullivan of Dorset

<u>Whereas</u>, as Orvis's Senior Communications and Conservation Manager, Jamie Hathaway oversaw the distribution of millions of dollars to international animal welfare and conservation programs, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in the nonprofit sector, he has served as Director of Communications and Development for PeaceTrees Vietnam, an organization dedicated to "removing dangerous explosives, returning land to safe use, promoting peace, and cultivating a brighter future for the children and families of Vietnam," and

<u>Whereas</u>, based on his Vietnam experience, Jamie Hathaway cofounded Clear Path International (CPI), an organization that assists civilian victims in postconflict areas, providing direct medical and social services in Afghanistan, Cambodia, Vietnam, and along the Thailand–Myanmar border, and

<u>Whereas</u>, while continuing as CPI's Director of Communications, Jamie Hathaway has also assumed a Vermont-focused role as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Make-A-Wish Vermont, and

<u>Whereas</u>, since 1989, Make-A-Wish Vermont has granted over 830 personal wishes to Vermont children with life-threatening or extremely serious medical conditions, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the great success and effectiveness of Make-A-Wish Vermont can be attributed, in significant part, to the work of Jamie Hathaway, and

<u>Whereas</u>, his deep empathy for children whose lives are in peril makes him an ideal person to lead Make-A-Wish Vermont, and <u>Whereas</u>, for these critically ill children, for whom joy is tragically limited, the granting of personal wishes brightens their lives, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Jamie Hathaway's determination to improve the lives of children, both in war-torn nations and in Vermont, is highly admirable, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors James Hathaway for his dedication to improving the lives of children, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Jamie Hathaway.

H.C.R. 16.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Women's Community Club of Grafton on its centennial

Offered by: Representatives Partridge of Windham and Trieber of Rockingham

Whereas, the mission of the Women's Community Club of Grafton is to "encourage higher education through the awarding of scholastic aid obtained through fundraising and to provide a social program for its members with an educational focus," and

<u>Whereas</u>, scholarships are awarded to Grafton residents based on the students' scholastic achievement, financial need, community involvement, school-associated extracurricular activities, and job history, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the club was established on February 28, 1918, when 75 women gathered in the vestry of the Grafton Baptist Church and organized themselves as the Ladies Knitting Club, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the club raised funds to aid and support American soldiers fighting in World War I, and reflective of the club's name, a principal membership activity was knitting clothing for these soldiers, and

<u>Whereas</u>, upon the war's conclusion, the organization adopted its current name, the Women's Community Club of Grafton, and redirected its attention to different ways of serving the Grafton community, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1938, Susan Daniels, the club's first lifetime member, bequeathed funds to the organization to promote higher education, maintain Village Park, and tune the pianos in the town hall, chapel, and village school, and

Whereas, in the middle 1960s, the club awarded its first academic scholarship, in the amount of \$100.00, to Barbara Fisher Rogers, and

Whereas, by 2018, the club was annually awarding \$20,000.00 worth of scholarships, with a maximum individual grant of \$5,000.00, and

Whereas, since that initial academic grant, the club has presented 218 scholarships to 124 individuals, totaling \$250,000.00, and

Whereas, on August 18, 2018, the Women's Community Club of Grafton commemorated its century of community service with a gala fundraising event, benefiting its scholarship fund, that featured a performance of the Boston-based chamber orchestra, A Far Cry; an arts and crafts auction; and a presentation of the club's history, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Women's Community Club of Grafton on its centennial, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Women's Community Club of Grafton.

H.C.R. 17.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Essex High School Hornets boys' cross country team on winning a second consecutive Division I championship

Offered by: Representative Myers of Essex, Bancroft of Westford, Giambatista of Essex, Houghton of Essex, and Redmond of Essex

<u>Whereas</u>, at the 2018 high school cross country championship, run at the Thetford Academy course, the defending Division I boys' title holders, the Essex High School Hornets, were again top contenders, and

Whereas, the Hornets did not disappoint their fans, and

Whereas, Essex runners finished first, third, and fifth among the Division I boys and easily defeated second-place Burlington, 27–65, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the swift-paced Hornets' team roster featured Peter Alden, Michael Baker, Kegan Bergeron, Eli Bonning, Ethan Boutin, Jeremy Brennan, Zachary Brisson, Nicholas Coburn, Braden Cummings, Jaron Cummings, Kurt Dirmaier, Samuel Evans, Henry Farrington, James Giannelli, Jack Giuliani, Connor Goodrich, Jacob Hall, Hiro Hayden, Matthew Hull, Elias Jones, Calvin Jordan, Lucius Karki, Jordan Kuzniak-Lewis, Ebin Lagasse, Cade Larcom, Krispin Laverty, Richard Laverty, Joseph Lemire, Liam Mack, Nevin Mack, Drew Marcotte, Charles Martell, Brady Martisus, Nicholas Mendes, Benjamin Middleton, Aiden Philbrick, Atticus Phinney-Anderson, Caleb Roylance, Walker Stapleton, Benjamin Stewart, Gabriel Streeter, Jake Wagner, Ethan Watt-Borrayo, Gabriel White, and Nathan Wu, and

Whereas, Head Coach Eric Langevin and Assistant Coach Blaine Isham were outstanding mentors throughout the fall season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Essex High School Hornets boys' cross country team on winning a second consecutive Division I championship, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Essex High School.

H.C.R. 18.

House concurrent resolution congratulating American Legion Pierce Lawton Post #37 in Bellows Falls on its centennial

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

Whereas, in 1919, in the aftermath of the First World War, Congress chartered and incorporated the American Legion as a "patriotic veterans organization" devoted to mutual helpfulness, and the national charter led to the establishment of local American Legion posts, and

Whereas, also in 1919, American Legion Pierce Lawton Post #37 in Bellows Falls submitted its preliminary charter to the national organization, and a permanent charter was issued in 1920, and

Whereas, Post #37 was named in memory of Bellows Falls native William G. Pierce, a member of Company E, 1st Vermont Infantry, who was killed in action on April 20, 1918, and

Whereas, the membership of Post #37 selected World War I veteran Captain Thomas J. Brickley to serve as its initial commander, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the State Armory served as the organization's original headquarters and, after several moves, in 1954, Post #37 purchased the Dreamland Theatre to serve as its home, and

Whereas, Post #37 established a drum and bugle corps in 1929, and

Whereas, the Post #37 American Legion baseball team won the State championship in 1964 and again in 2006 and can claim Boston Red Sox Hall of Fame catcher Carleton "Pudge" Fisk as a team alumnus, and

Whereas, in 1990, Carol Anne Spaulding was the first woman elected to serve as Post #37 commander, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on the statewide departmental level, women from Post #37 have served as leaders of the American Legion Auxiliary, and the post has both hosted the State convention and been the recipient of special recognition, and

<u>Whereas</u>, especially noteworthy for Post #37 was the 2004 selection of Linda Mclean Perham as an American Legion National Vice Commander, and

Whereas, more recently, using national American Legion resources, local interviews, and archival materials, she has organized the first comprehensive historical collection of Post #37 documentation, and it will be exhibited at a centennial celebration on April 20, 2019, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates American Legion Pierce Lawton Post #37 in Bellows Falls on its centennial and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to American Legion Pierce Lawton Post #37 in Bellows Falls.

H.C.R. 19.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Vermont Army National Guard Sergeant First Class Damien Larose of Westford for his fire rescue bravery

Offered by: Representatives Till of Jericho, Bancroft of Westford, and Squirrell of Underhill

<u>Whereas</u>, Vermont Army National Guard Sergeant First Class Damien Larose of Westford is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, and

Whereas, his military training served him well in a recent successful fire rescue effort, and

<u>Whereas</u>, on the morning of December 28, 2018, while driving home, Sergeant Larose spotted smoke that did not resemble typical chimney smoke rising from a house, and

Whereas, concerned, he stopped his truck and called 911, and

<u>Whereas</u>, in response to a dispatcher's inquiry as to whether anyone was at home, Sergeant Larose replied that he would go inside and check, and

<u>Whereas</u>, running to the front door, he discovered it locked, but fearful that someone was inside the structure, Sergeant Larose ran around the house, yelling and banging on every door until he found an unlocked porch door, and

Whereas, upon opening the door, he encountered smoke that was overwhelming, and

 $\underline{Whereas},$ after initially backing off, Sergeant Larose felt compelled to take a second look, and

Whereas, five or six feet away from where he was standing, billowing smoke threatened a woman lying on the floor, and he was uncertain if she was alive, and

<u>Whereas</u>, picking up an available shovel, Sergeant Larose smashed a window, enabling the room to be ventilated, and

Whereas, taking a deep breath, he dashed inside the house, grabbed the woman who, despite experiencing breathing difficulties, amazingly, was alive, and

<u>Whereas</u>, after bringing the woman to his truck, Sergeant Larose placed his coat over her and waited for an ambulance's arrival, and

<u>Whereas</u>, when asked why he risked his life to save a stranger, the Vermont Army National Guardsman answered that were he in a similar situation, he hoped another person would assist him, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Vermont Army National Guard Sergeant First Class Damien Larose of Westford for his fire rescue bravery, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Damien Larose.

S.C.R. 2.

Senate concurrent resolution honoring former Vermont State Police Major Glenn Hall for three decades of exemplary public service.

Offered by Committee on Judiciary,

Whereas, Glenn Hall's family, of Bennington County, has a long association with the Vermont State Police, and

Whereas, his father, Glenn Hall Sr., had a 24-year career on the Vermont State Police force, and his brother, Mark, served for three years as a Vermont State Police officer before transferring his employment to the New Hampshire State Police, and

Whereas, 1990 was a transitional year for the Hall family because Glenn Sr. retired as a Vermont State Police captain just after Glenn joined the force as a uniform trooper at the St. Albans barracks, and

Whereas, in 1998, he was assigned to the Narcotics Investigation Unit as an undercover drug investigator with the Vermont Drug Task Force, and

Whereas, his promotion in 2000 to the rank of sergeant resulted in an assignment as a task force officer with the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, and he subsequently supervised the activities of the Northern Unit of the Vermont Drug Task Force, and

Whereas, in 2004, Glenn Hall earned his lieutenant's rank and was assigned the commander's position at the Vermont Drug Task Force, and

Whereas, approximately two years later, Lieutenant Hall was transferred to the Bureau of Criminal Investigation, becoming a detective field commander at the St. Albans barracks, and

Whereas, his next promotion, to the rank of captain, occurred in 2009, when he was designated the special investigations commander, and in 2012 he began a new role as a uniform troop commander in A Troop, serving northwestern Vermont, and

Whereas, in 2013, the Vermont State Police awarded Glenn Hall the force's prestigious rank of major as the criminal division commander, and

Whereas, Major Hall greatly assisted legislative committees, especially on matters related to substance abuse and serious crimes, and

Whereas, in late 2018, after the announcement that Major Glenn Hall was concluding his Vermont State Police career, Commissioner of Public Safety Thomas D. Anderson described the major as epitomizing the ideal attributes of a Vermont State Police officer, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Vermont State Police Major Glenn Hall for three decades of exemplary public service, *and be it further*

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