

State of Vermont

House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 145

House concurrent resolution honoring the 26th President of the University of Vermont, E. Thomas Sullivan, for his leadership accomplishments

Offered by: Representatives Rachelson of Burlington, Bancroft of Westford, Bartholomew of Hartland, Batchelor of Derby, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Brennan of Colchester, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Christie of Hartford, Conlon of Cornwall, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donahue of Northfield, Donovan of Burlington, Fagan of Rutland City, Feltus of Lyndon, Gamache of Swanton, Goslant of Northfield, Graham of Williamstown, Gregoire of Fairfield, Haas of Rochester, Hango of Berkshire, Harrison of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Jickling of Randolph, Johnson of South Hero, Killacky of South Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, LaClair of Barre Town, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lefebvre of Newark, Leffler of Enosburgh, Lippert of Hinesburg, Long of Newfane, Marcotte of Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Masland of Thetford, Mattos of Milton, McCormack of Burlington, McCoy of Poultney, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan of Milton, Morrissey of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Myers of Essex, Norris of Shoreham, Ode of Burlington, Page of Newport City, Pajala of Londonderry, Palasik of Milton, Potter of Clarendon, Pugh of South Burlington, Quimby of Concord, Rosenquist of Georgia, Savage of Swanton, Scheuermann of Stowe, Seymour of Sutton, Shaw of Pittsford, Sibilgia of Dover, Smith of Derby, Smith of New Haven, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Szott of Barnard, Terenzini of Rutland Town, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Toll of Danville, Toof of St. Albans Town, Townsend of South Burlington, Webb of Shelburne, White of Hartford, Yacovone of Morristown, and Young of Greensboro

Whereas, Tom Sullivan graduated from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, and magna cum laude from the Indiana University School of Law, and

Whereas, after clerking for a federal judge, serving as a trial attorney in the U.S. Attorney General's Honors Program, and practicing as a private sector antitrust litigator, he embarked on an academic career, and

Whereas, Tom Sullivan taught at the law schools of the University of Missouri and Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, prior to the University of Arizona College of Law appointing him as its dean and a professor of law, and

Whereas, in 1995, Tom Sullivan began his 17-year tenure at the University of Minnesota, holding two different named law school professorships, and serving as the Julius E. Davis Chair in Law, and in 2004, the University of Minnesota appointed him as its senior vice president and provost, and

Whereas, he has held visiting professorships at prestigious law schools, and

Whereas, Tom Sullivan is a prolific legal scholar, especially in the field of antitrust litigation, and has written 11 books and over 50 articles, and

Whereas, he has served in numerous consultancy and leadership roles in academia and the legal profession and has been repeatedly recognized for his professional achievements, and

Whereas, in 2012, the University of Vermont appointed Tom Sullivan as its 26th president, and during his tenure, the university has finished 20 building projects, experienced an 80 percent increase in the value of its endowment, expanded course offerings, and completed a \$500 million capital campaign a year ahead of schedule, and

Whereas, Tom Sullivan has announced that he will conclude his role as University of Vermont President in June 2019, and the University's board of trustees has expressed its sincere appreciation for his service, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors the 26th President of the University of Vermont, E. Thomas Sullivan, for his leadership accomplishments, and be it further

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