## State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Bermont

## Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 249

House concurrent resolution honoring former West Rutland Fire Chief Joseph Skaza

Offered by: Representatives Burditt of West Rutland, Potter of Clarendon, Canfield of Fair Haven, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Harrison of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Howard of Rutland City, Jerome of Brandon, McCoy of Poultney, Nicoll of Ludlow, Norris of Shoreham, Notte of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Sullivan of Dorset, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Hooker, and McNeil

Whereas, in 1972, Joseph Skaza volunteered to serve with the West Rutland Fire Department, and for 47 years, he responded to the fire alarm's ring, and

Whereas, Joseph Skaza's mastery of firefighting skills, combined with his strong managerial capabilities, resulted in his selection as West Rutland Fire Chief, and

Whereas, his successful 28-year leadership included fleet modernization, renovation of the fire station, enhanced working relationships with the fire departments of neighboring towns, and, perhaps most importantly, always bringing his colleagues home safely from every responded call, and

Whereas, Chief Joseph Skaza recently saw his son, Michael, assume the chief's position, and the 2019 West Rutland Town Report is honoring the former chief, who will maintain a firefighting role, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former West Rutland Fire Chief Joseph Skaza, and be it further

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