

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ADDENDUM

TO THE

HOUSE CALENDAR

**Text of House Concurrent
Resolutions**

of

February 10, 2022

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. 98.

House concurrent resolution congratulating Mary L. Miner of Manchester on her 100th birthday

Offered by: Representative Morrissey of Bennington

Whereas, Mary Miner, one of 13 siblings, was born on September 3, 1921, in Bedford Hills, New York, and, as a preschooler, moved to Vermont, and

Whereas, Mary Miner was married to Richard Miner for 47 years, and they were the parents three sons, and

Whereas, family and friends are always of paramount importance to her, and

Whereas, for 23 years, Mary Miner volunteered at a local thrift shop, and the Town of Manchester has honored her as one of the municipality's volunteers of the year, and

Whereas, she has been active in the Happy Go Getters, a community fellowship of Manchester area seniors, and

Whereas, Mary Miner, her family, and friends gathered on September 4, 2021, to celebrate the centenary of her birth, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Mary L. Miner on her 100th birthday, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 99.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Town of Stowe on earning a three-year designation as a Quality Youth Development Community

Offered by: Representative Scheuermann of Stowe

Whereas, the National Quality Youth Development (QYD) Program honors communities that demonstrate “sustainable and substantive efforts that support, engage, inspire, and empower youth,” and

Whereas, to be awarded QYD certification, a group of adults and youth must engage in a 12-month process to achieve a set of qualifying benchmarks, and

Whereas, in recognition of the Stowe QYD Steering Committee, under the leadership of Kate Lewton and Cole Heidelberger, achieving seven of the ten benchmarks, on January 20, 2022, the National QYD Program awarded Stowe a three-year designation as a QYD Community, and

Whereas, among the achieved benchmarks were community funding of youth programs, creating a professional youth-mentoring program, broad display of “Youth Are Welcome” posters, youth service on the boards of nonprofit organizations and on community-wide committees, youth access to social services and resources outside a school setting, and the establishment of local government and business youth internships, and

Whereas, during the next three years, the committee may complete the balance of the benchmarks and earn for Stowe a designation as a Four-Star QYD Community, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Town of Stowe on earning a three-year designation as a Quality Youth Development Community, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Stowe QYD Committee.

H.C.R. 100.

House concurrent resolution honoring Rebecca Buck for her superb service as a member of the Joint Fiscal Office staff

Offered by: Representative Hooper of Montpelier

Offered by: Senator Kitchel

Whereas, Rebecca Buck, who is the longest serving staff member of the Joint Fiscal Office, and who joined the office in September 1979, focusing her attention on producing the annual state budget and supporting the work of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, and

Whereas, she exhibited extreme professionalism and commitment to the General Assembly and the State of Vermont as she assembled the budget bills each session,

which required intense attention to detail and endless patience for adding, removing, and changing language as proposals were negotiated, and, especially, gently correcting budget language with great forbearance to those who thought they knew better, and

Whereas, Rebecca Buck served tirelessly as the human resources manager for the office ensuring that each person on staff was treated equitably while employing tact, resilience, and, always, good humor, and

Whereas, she performed her assigned duties with the utmost professionalism, so that legislators and staff could always rely on her for timely informational and technical assistance, and

Whereas, Rebecca Buck could always be counted on to provide an unvarnished, honest assessment of whatever issue was before her, engaging her uncanny ability to identify the root issues along with solutions, and

Whereas, she contributed to the creation of a productive, supportive, fun, and vibrant work environment, always remembering personal milestones, asking after family members, and making herself available at all hours of the day or night to help staff members through personal dilemmas, or just to be a friend, and

Whereas, Rebecca Buck's fellow staff members enjoyed working with their highly competent and energetic colleague, who, outside the office, was a competitive runner, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Rebecca Buck for her superb service as a member of the Joint Fiscal Office staff, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 101.

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Carl D. Powden of Johnson

Offered by: Representative Brumsted of Shelburne

Whereas, Carl Powden grew up in Vermont and earned degrees from Vermont Technical College and the University of Vermont, and taught vocational agriculture in Central Vermont, and

Whereas, he was the first Democrat elected in memory to represent his hometown of Johnson, as well as the towns of Eden, and Belvidere, and

Whereas, as a three-term member of the House of Representatives, he helped lead efforts to respond to the Vermont Supreme Court's Brigham decision, which required greater equity in school funding, and

Whereas, as the Central Vermont Regional Director of the Vermont Land Trust for almost 30 years, he was instrumental in the protection of vast farm and forest land throughout the State of Vermont, and

Whereas, with much love, he farmed his Johnson homestead, raising animals, cultivating a plentiful vegetable garden, and adding special amenities on his land, including an antique apple grinder and a cider press, and

Whereas, Carl Powden, whose life became complete when he married his high school sweetheart, Dorigen Keeney, died on January 12, 2022, and his survivors include his wife and 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 Carl D. Powden of Johnson, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of Carl Powden's family.

H.C.R. 102.

House concurrent resolution honoring Stephen A. Klein for his dedicated leadership as the General Assembly's Chief Fiscal Officer

Offered by: Representative Hooper of Montpelier

Offered by: Senator Kitchel

Whereas, in 1991, the Joint Fiscal Office hired Stephen Klein, a graduate of the University of California at Berkley, the graduate school of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the Northeastern University School of Law, as the Senate's Fiscal Analyst, and

Whereas, although reserved in manner as an interviewee, his new colleagues quickly discovered that Stephen Klein was a highly enthusiastic, outgoing individual, whose appearance and manner were of entirely different sorts, and who became much beloved and admired by all he encountered, and

Whereas, Stephen Klein immediately mastered the fiscal specifics of Vermont State government and operations of the General Assembly, and

Whereas, he impressed Vermont's legislators with his adroitness in satisfying their fiscal inquiries, and, in 1993, the Joint Fiscal Committee appointed him as the General Assembly's Chief Fiscal Officer, and

Whereas, for the next 28 years, Stephen Klein performed this role in an exemplary manner, serving in leadership roles at the National Conference of State Legislators, and, in 2013, receiving NCSL's Stephen D. Gold award for his significant contributions to public financial management in intergovernmental relations, in

addition to participating in regional and national associations of state fiscal officers, and

Whereas, Stephen Klein was honored by Representative Peter Welch in the *Congressional Record* on December 5, 2013, for his Stephen D. Gold award and for his exemplary service to the state of Vermont, and

Whereas, he selflessly devoted many volunteer hours to civic activities, including serving on the boards of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, and the New England Public Policy Center, serving as President of the Hunger Mountain Food Cooperative, and serving as treasurer of the Green Mountain Club, and the Beth Jacob synagogue, and

Whereas, Stephen Klein infused the Joint Fiscal Office with his larger-than-life persona, assembling a skilled staff while creating a work environment full of laughter and cohesiveness that defined the essence of the office during his tenure and beyond, and

Whereas, on August 11, 2021, current and former legislators and staff celebrated Stephen Klein's illustrious career at a rollicking farewell party on the State House lawn, as they bid him an appreciative and fond farewell, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Stephen A. Klein for his dedicated leadership as the General Assembly's Chief Fiscal Office and wishes him all the best in his future endeavors, and be it further

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

H.C.R. 103.

House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2021 class of Eagle Scouts in the State of Vermont

Offered by: Representatives Fagan of Rutland City, Krowinski of Burlington, Achey of Middletown Springs, Anthony of Barre City, Arrison of Weathersfield, Austin of Colchester, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Birong of Vergennes, Black of Essex, Bongartz of Manchester, Brady of Williston, Brennan of Colchester, Briglin of Thetford, Brownell of Pownal, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burditt of West Rutland, Burke of Brattleboro, Canfield of Fair Haven, Chase of Colchester, Cina of Burlington, Coffey of Guilford, Conlon of Cornwall, Corcoran of Bennington, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dolan of Essex, Dolan of Waitsfield, Donahue of Northfield, Durfee of Shaftsbury, Emmons of Springfield, Feltus of Lyndon, Garofano of Essex, Goslant of Northfield, Gregoire of Fairfield, Hango of Berkshire, Harrison of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Houghton of Essex, Howard of Rutland City, James of Manchester, Jessup of Middlesex, Killacky of South Burlington, Labor of Morgan, LaClair of Barre Town, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lanpher of Vergennes, Lefebvre of Orange, Lippert of Hinesburg, Long of Newfane, Marcotte of

Coventry, Martel of Waterford, Masland of Thetford, Mattos of Milton, McCoy of Poultney, McCullough of Williston, McFaun of Barre Town, Morgan, L. of Milton, Morgan, M. of Milton, Morris of Springfield, Morrissey of Bennington, Murphy of Fairfax, Nicoll of Ludlow, Nigro of Bennington, Norris of Shoreham, Notte of Rutland City, Noyes of Wolcott, Ode of Burlington, Page of Newport City, Palasik of Milton, Parsons of Newbury, Partridge of Windham, Patt of Worcester, Peterson of Clarendon, Rosenquist of Georgia, Scheuermann of Stowe, Shaw of Pittsford, Smith of Derby, Smith of New Haven, Squirrell of Underhill, Stebbins of Burlington, Stevens of Waterbury, Strong of Albany, Sullivan of Dorset, Taylor of Colchester, Till of Jericho, Toleno of Brattleboro, Townsend of South Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Vyhovsky of Essex, Webb of Shelburne, White of Hartford, Whitman of Bennington, Williams of Granby, Wood of Waterbury, Yacovone of Morristown, and Yantachka of Charlotte

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, Eagle is the highest rank a Boy Scout can earn, and

Whereas, achieving the rank of Eagle requires commitment and perseverance, starting from the moment a young man is inducted into the Boy Scouts of America, and

Whereas, the myriad merit badges a Boy Scout must earn to reach this honor introduce him to many useful skills, and

Whereas, in 2021, these Boy Scouts, who are members of troops in the Green Mountain Council, achieved the rank of Eagle: Max Crowley, Nicholas Martiros, Benjamin Pencak, Sean Babb, Jacob Leary, Michael Andrews, Patton Griswold, Aiden Gebo, Zachary Botala, Shea McLaren, Peter Thornton, Austin Laplante, Wesley Feickert, Adam Jewett, Johnah Benjamin, Ethan Schaal, Peter Broussard, Owen Ameden, Miles Heskett, Julian Cohen, Colin Low, Alexander Paquette, Liam Tatro, Jared Carnesale, Matthew Ireland, Andrew Buley, John Curley, Andrew Wilder, Brad Stankiewicz, Nathan Croft, Colin Beckett, Owen Kupferer, Gabriel Parks, Zachary Centracchio, Jack Tulkop, William Belluche, Matthew Brooks, Jacob Medici, Dylan Leblanc, Raymond Fontaine, Derrick Sloan, Cameron Russin, Carlton Cummoskey, Zachary Fisher, Alec Benedict, Luke Brassard, Alexander Pouliott, Peter Milne, Liam Carcoba, Alec Brown, Gabriel Day, Gabriel Hatch, Robert Jewett, Kevin LaRose, Michael Smullen, Johnathan Croft, Ken Bell, Ralph Wenzel, Ronald LaRose, Kimberly Douglas, and Mark Johnson, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2021 class of Eagle Scouts in the State of Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution for each Eagle Scout honored in this resolution to the Green Mountain Council of the Boy Scouts of America.