

State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 78

House concurrent resolution congratulating the successful rescue effort of Newport City Fire Chief John Harlamert and retired Chief Robert (RJ) George

Offered by: Representatives Marcotte of Coventry and Page of Newport City

Offered by: Senators Ingalls and Starr

Whereas, shortly before 5:00 PM on November 8, 2021, the Newport City Fire Department was alerted to a possible living room fire at 41 Herrick Street, and the situation was almost immediately upgraded to a structural fire, and

Whereas, the first to respond were Newport City Fire Chief John Harlamert and retired Chief RJ George, who resides up the street from the site, and

Whereas, on learning that an individual was trapped inside, Chief Harlamert entered the structure, and his retrieval of the victim from the residence's back room succeeded because the retired chief, stationed at the building's entrance, continued hollering Chief Harlamert's name, providing essential direction through the increasingly intense smoke, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Newport City Fire Chief John Harlamert and retired Chief Robert (RJ) George for their successful rescue at 41 Herrick Street, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Chief Harlamert, to retired Chief George, and to the Newport City Fire Department.