State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 94

House concurrent resolution in memory of Robert D. Bates

Offered by: Representatives Vyhovsky of Essex, Black of Essex, Dolan of Essex, Garofano of Essex, and Houghton of Essex

Whereas, Bob Bates, a long-respected counselor at Essex High School, graduated from the University of Vermont and attended graduate school at Ohio University, and

Whereas, his career as a secondary school counselor began at Brattleboro High School, and continued at Essex High School, and after concluding his school counseling role, he remained a public education advocate, and

Whereas, outside of his educational activities, Bob Bates was a devoted lay minister of the Covenant Community Church in Essex, and

Whereas, among his other pursuits were performing classical and church music, volunteering for the local food bank, attending UVM basketball games, rooting for the Red Sox, and enjoying family time, and

Whereas, Bob Bates died on December 10, 2021, and his survivors include his wife Joan and his children and grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Robert D. Bates, 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 the family of Bob Bates.