### **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

### ADDENDUM

## TO THE

# SENATE AND HOUSE CALENDARS

# Text of Senate Concurrent Resolutions

of

Thursday, May 11, 2023

#### CONSENT CALENDAR Concurrent Resolutions for Notice under Joint Rule 16

The following joint concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted by the Senate unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before the end of the session of the next legislative day. Requests for floor consideration should be communicated to the Secretary's Office and/or the House Clerk's Office, respectively.

#### S.C.R. 6.

By All Members of the Senate,

**S.C.R. 6.** Senate concurrent resolution honoring Vanessa Davison for her extraordinary dedication as a staff member of the General Assembly.

*Whereas*, Vanessa Davison, a daily Hardwick-to-Montpelier commuter, has an abiding work ethic that is second to none, and she has always performed her legislative staffing duties courteously, effectively, and with the utmost professionalism, and

*Whereas*, in 1978, following her graduation from Hazen Union High School, she started her public service career in the General Assembly, reporting for work at the former Legislative Council, and

*Whereas*, during the next decade, Vanessa Davison assisted attorneys and support staff in myriad administrative and research tasks, eventually managing the Legislative Council's Wang computer system as the General Assembly entered the digital era, and

*Whereas*, a pivotal year for Vanessa Davison was 1988 when she embarked on a new career path as the Journal Clerk of the Vermont Senate, working collaboratively with Senate Secretaries Robert Gibson, David Gibson, and, since 2011, John Bloomer, and

*Whereas*, Vanessa Davison quickly mastered the intricacies required to prepare the daily and annual Senate Journals, and

*Whereas*, on occasion, she ferried text pages to a halfway point along I-89 in order to deliver them to a representative of the Burlington-based printer, and, on many nights, Vanessa Davison sat patiently at her desk while the next day's Journal slowly transmitted to the printer's office, a duty that improved technology fortunately eliminated, and

*Whereas*, senators knew they could rely on her discretion and knowledge in discussing parliamentary matters, and she had a great rapport with staff throughout the legislative branch, and

*Whereas*, during the past year, she has expertly trained her successor, ensuring that the high quality of the Senate Journal will continue, and

*Whereas*, in the spring of 2023, after 45 rewarding years on the staff of the General Assembly, including 35 years in the Office of the Senate Secretary, Vanessa Davison is concluding her legislative staff service, *now therefore be it* 

#### Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Vanessa Davison for her extraordinary dedication as a staff member of the General Assembly, *and be it further* 

*Resolved:* That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Vanessa Davison.

#### S.C.R. 7.

By Committee on Appropriations,

**S.C.R. 7.** Senate concurrent resolution honoring Stephanie Barrett for more than a quarter-century of public service excellence as a member of the Joint Fiscal Office staff.

*Whereas*, Stephanie Barrett is known to legislators and staff as a cheerful, helpful, and, most importantly, knowledgeable member of the Joint Fiscal Office staff, and

*Whereas*, the expert assistance she has provided to the Senate Appropriations Committee and to the entire Senate with respect to the annual Budget Adjustment Act and Big Bill has been essential in the development and, ultimately, the approval of these essential legislative enactments, and

*Whereas*, with the utmost professionalism, she has responded to informational inquiries, explained the most obscure details and technicalities, and patiently drafted language for the committees and, subsequently, the entire Senate, and

*Whereas*, Stephanie Barrett was raised in Braintree and journeyed south to Boston College for her education, and

*Whereas*, in the summer of 1998, after working in several interim legislative staff positions, she became a full-time fiscal analyst, and her superb work resulted in an eventual promotion to the rank of associate fiscal officer, and

*Whereas*, while employed at the Joint Fiscal Office, Stephanie Barrett simultaneously earned a master's degree in business administration at the University of Vermont, and

*Whereas*, her colleagues at fiscal offices in other state legislatures and at the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) recognized Stephanie's strong leadership potential, and she served admirably as the president of the National Association of Legislative Fiscal Officers (NALFO), one of NCSL's nine professional staff associations, and on the board and executive committee of NCSL, roles that carry great responsibilities, and

Whereas, Stephanie Barrett is embarking on a new role for which she is eminently qualified, that of chief fiscal officer at the Department of Vermont Health Access, and she will be sorely missed at the General Assembly, *now therefore be it* 

#### **Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:**

That the General Assembly honors Stephanie Barrett for more than a quarter-century of public service excellence as a legislative fiscal analyst and wishes her every success in her new position, *and be it further* 

*Resolved:* That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Stephanie Barrett.