

No. R-163. House concurrent resolution congratulating the Brattleboro Area Farmers' Market on its 50th anniversary.

(H.C.R.139)

Offered by Representatives Burke of Brattleboro, Goodnow of Brattleboro, and Kornheiser of Brattleboro

Offered by Senators Harrison and Hashim

Whereas, farmers markets are a special venue for local agricultural and culinary producers to market their edible products and for artisans to display and sell their creations, and

Whereas, they serve as the ideal setting to act on the slogan “buy local” and to participate in an event that exudes community spirit and often features the accompaniment of vocalists and instrumentalists presenting the best of local musical talent, and

Whereas, one of Vermont’s premier and oldest farmers' markets is the vendor-owned Brattleboro Area Farmers’ Market (originally the Brattleboro Farmers’ Market), which was established on a small scale in 1975, and

Whereas, the Brattleboro Area Farmers’ Market’s continued growth has included an expansion in the number of vendors and activities and has prompted several relocations to accommodate its popularity, and

Whereas, every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. starting in May and continuing through October at 570 Western Avenue (Route 9), the Brattleboro Area Farmers’ Market convenes for five hours of commerce, enjoyment, and good cheer, and

Whereas, in 2006, the success of this three-season event sparked the creation of a separate winter companion, and

Whereas, on Saturday, May 17, 2025, the Brattleboro Area Farmers’ Market will conduct a commemorative ceremony to mark its half-century milestone of serving the community as a place to purchase locally produced foods and crafts, enjoy great music, and meet neighbors old and new, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Brattleboro Area Farmers’ Market on its 50th anniversary, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Brattleboro Area Farmers’ Market.