

No. R-187. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Montpelier City Manager William J. Fraser for three decades of distinguished municipal public service.

(S.C.R.6)

Offered by Senators Watson, Cummings and Perchlik,

Offered by Representatives Casey of Montpelier and McCann of Montpelier,

Whereas, since 1995, Bill Fraser has served as the outstanding Montpelier City Manager, performing the roles of administrator, liaison to the city council and State government, and public spokesperson with extraordinary dedication, and

Whereas, as Montpelier City Manager, Bill Fraser has provided strategic leadership through periods of challenge, growth, and transformation, and

Whereas, Bill Fraser has overseen a workforce of over 113 full-time equivalent employees and an overall budget totaling nearly \$32 million, and his outstanding leadership has ensured the high-quality delivery of essential public services, and

Whereas, during his watch, the City of Montpelier constructed a modern water treatment facility, opened a new police station, inaugurated a downtown transit center that includes affordable housing units, launched a renewable district heating system in collaboration with the State, built two roundabouts to improve traffic flow, and extended the shared-use recreational path across the city of Montpelier, and

Whereas, he professionally and tirelessly coordinated the city's response to major flooding and other emergencies, especially in July 2023, and

Whereas, Bill Fraser completed advanced leadership education programs at Harvard University and the University of Virginia, and he became a credentialed manager through the International City/County Management Association, an organization in which he held leadership positions, earning the respect of his national colleagues, and

Whereas, closer to home, admiration for Bill Fraser's leadership skills was reflected in his election as president of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns and the Vermont Town and City Management Association (VTCMA) and in his receipt of the VTCMA's Outstanding Achievement award, and

Whereas, after three decades of dynamic and professional leadership, on June 30, 2025, Bill Fraser will conclude one of the longest tenures of any municipal manager in the State, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Montpelier City Manager William J. Fraser for his three decades of distinguished municipal public service, *and be it further*

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