

No. R-339. House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative and Moretown and Brandon Selectboard member Stephen Andrew Carr.

(H.C.R.281)

Offered by All Members of the House

Whereas, Rutland native Steve Carr was raised in Brandon, a member of the first class to attend the new Otter Valley Union High School, and earned a bachelor's degree from the former Castleton State College, and

Whereas, after his college graduation, Steve Carr joined the staff of the former Chittenden Bank, proved adept at his duties, and earned positions as a senior vice president at the bank's Montpelier and Waitsfield branches, and

Whereas, in 1981, he became senior vice president and senior loan officer at the former First Brandon National Bank, and, in 1997, he opened an independent financial consulting business, and

Whereas, during his Washington County residency, Steve Carr served on the selectboard in Moretown and, later, in Brandon, and

Whereas, his western Vermont community involvement included serving on the boards of Porter Hospital and BROCC Community Action, and as president of the local Visiting Nurses Association and the Brandon Industrial Corporation, and his 1982 commencement of writing the *Brandon Workbook* launched a nearly 40-year economic development odyssey, which evolved into the Segment 6 Project that received federal funding in 2005, came to fruition following the devastating impact in Brandon of Tropical Storm Irene, and was ultimately completed in 2020, and

Whereas, as a passionate golfer, Steve Carr was a pivotal leader and volunteer developer of the Neshobe Golf Club, and, culturally, he was associated with the Stephen A. Douglas Birthplace and the Friends of Otter Valley Music, and

Whereas, in 2012, the voters of the Rutland-6 House District elected Steve Carr to the first of three consecutive terms to the House of Representatives, where he served on the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development (2013–2016) and ably chaired the Committee on Energy and Technology (2017–2018); and the Carr family's presence returned to the State House in 2024, when his granddaughter, James Ashley Carr, was honored to serve as a legislative page, and

Whereas, Steve Carr was a well-liked and respected member of the peoples' house who served his community with distinction and honor, and his death on April 12, 2026, at 76 years of age, saddened his many friends, and especially his wife of 47 years, Jane Ellen; their children; and grandchildren, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere sympathies to the family of former Representative and Moretown and Brandon Selectboard member Stephen Andrew Carr, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the family of Steve Carr.