

State of Vermont

House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 48

Offered by All Members of the House

House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Curt McCormack of Burlington

Whereas, Curt McCormack was a passionate environmental advocate who worked diligently to reduce sources of air pollution and encourage Vermonters' transportation choices in a direction eschewing cars and airplanes, and

Whereas, a licensed electrician by profession, Curt McCormack's desire to serve his fellow citizens in the legislative arena, and contribute an enduring beneficial impact on both environmental and transportation policy, twice sparked him to stand for a seat in the General Assembly, and

Whereas, in 1982, he won election to the House of Representatives as a member from Rutland City, and during this first legislative foray, which extended to late 1995, he chaired the House committee with environmental jurisdiction and was a national pioneer in leading a State effort to limit the use of chlorofluorocarbons, and

Whereas, he departed from the General Assembly to serve as the Vermont Bicycle-Pedestrian Coordinator at the Agency of Transportation, a role that enabled him to implement facilities for human-powered transportation, and

Whereas, in 2012, having relocated to Burlington, Curt McCormack won election from the city's downtown-Old North End district, starting a new five-term legislative tenure that featured his service as the unusually carless House Committee on Transportation Chair; coincided with the extension to Burlington of the Ethan Allen Express Amtrak rail service, which he was instrumental in establishing years earlier; and included his election as a University of Vermont trustee, and

Whereas, he was a Peace Corps volunteer, who established a recycling facility in Joal, Senegal; a cyclist, who bicycled extensively in North America and Europe; a painter; and a music fan, whose diverse melodic pleasures ranged from Bob Dylan to opera, and

Whereas, Curt McCormack died of cancer on September 16, 2024 at 72 years of age, and his survivors include his partner, Lisa Scofield, and his children, grandchildren, and siblings, including former Senator Richard McCormack, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of former Representative Curt McCormack of Burlington, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of Curt McCormack's family.