

State of Vermont

House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 279

Offered by All Members of the House

Offered by All Members of the Senate

House concurrent resolution honoring General Assembly Head Doorkeeper Michael C. Wiater and his wife, Sergeant at Arms Administrative Assistant Donna Wiater, for their dedicated State public service and extending future best wishes

Whereas, Mike Wiater was born in Springfield, Massachusetts; attended the public schools in nearby Chicopee, Massachusetts; and, in 1973, he entered the U.S. Army, serving in the 1st Infantry Division prior to his 1976 honorable discharge, and

Whereas, following military service, Mike Wiater pursued higher education opportunities at the University of Kansas in Manhattan, Kansas; Springfield Technical Community College in Springfield, Massachusetts; and the former Hawthorne College in Antrim, New Hampshire, and

Whereas, for a quarter of a century, Mike Wiater patrolled the highways, investigated crimes, and protected Vermonters as a member of the Vermont State Police, rising to the rank of sergeant, and

Whereas, in 2006, Mike Wiater embarked on a new career as a General Assembly doorkeeper, donning the green jacket that symbolizes his role to facilitate the orderly flow of activities in the State House during the legislative session, and

Whereas, his interrelated duties involve controlling chamber access when the House or Senate convene; coordinating the distribution of the still-important pink message slips to members; and supervising the 8th-grade legislative pages, including teaching them a class on the role and procedures of the General Assembly; and in recognition of his superb job performance, in 2017, Mike Wiater was designated head doorkeeper, and

Whereas, since 2020, his wife, Donna Wiater, has admirably served as an administrative assistant in the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, supporting the office in many ways to ensure it operates with maximum efficiency, and

Whereas, Mike and Donna Wiater have served as extraordinary public servants, their presence on the State House staff has been invaluable and a delight, and, in 2026, they are concluding their respective tenures under the golden dome, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors General Assembly Head Doorkeeper Michael C. Wiater and his wife, Sergeant at Arms Administrative Assistant Donna Wiater, for their dedicated State public service and extends future best wishes, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mike and Donna Wiater.