

**No. R-358. House concurrent resolution in memory of Elaine B. Little of Shelburne and Burlington.**

(H.C.R.286)

Offered by: Representatives Webb of Shelburne, Brumsted of Shelburne, Donovan of Burlington, Sullivan of Burlington, Cina of Burlington, Colburn of Burlington, Copeland-Hanzas of Bradford, Deen of Westminster, Dunn of Essex, Emmons of Springfield, Gonzalez of Winooski, Grad of Moretown, Head of South Burlington, Johnson of South Hero, Joseph of North Hero, Krowinski of Burlington, Lippert of Hinesburg, McCormack of Burlington, Murphy of Fairfax, O'Sullivan of Burlington, Pugh of South Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, Townsend of South Burlington, and Wright of Burlington

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Ashe, Baruth, Ingram, Mazza, Pearson, and Sirotkin

Whereas, Elaine Little graduated from Rutland High School and developed a love of skiing at Pico Peak, and

Whereas, at the University of Vermont, from which she graduated in 1943 as a member of the women's national honor society, Mortar Board, Elaine Little helped to start the women's ski team, whose members were required to climb the original Nose Dive Trail at Mount Mansfield prior to every downhill run, and

Whereas, following graduation, Elaine Little served as a secretary to Governor Mortimer Proctor and, at the end of World War II, coordinated the State's VJ Day celebration, and

Whereas, she was an active member of St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral and in the early 1960s chaired Vermont's March of Dimes campaign, and

Whereas, Elaine Little's public sector positions included service on the Burlington Planning Commission; her valiant attempt to preserve the historic Bishop's House on South Williams Street in Burlington; sitting on the Burlington Design Review Board; and membership on the State's Water Resources Board, and

Whereas, Elaine Little's special passion was volunteering for organizations whose mission focused on helping those in need, including the United Way, the Chittenden Emergency Food Shelf, and the Committee on Temporary Shelter, and

Whereas, she steadfastly supported her husband, George's volunteer work at nonprofit educational organizations such as the Ethan Allen Homestead and the ECHO Leahy Center for Lake Champlain, and

Whereas, Elaine Little's legacy of volunteer leadership in Burlington left the organizations with which she was associated better institutions, and

Whereas, in recognition of their community service in Burlington, a city park was named in honor of Elaine Little and her husband, the late Senator George E. Little Jr., and

Whereas, she retained a love of outdoor recreational activities, especially at her family's camps, on the ski slopes, and in trout streams, and

Whereas, Elaine Little died on January 28, 2018 at 96 years of age, and her survivors include: her children, James, Thomas, William, and Margaret; six grandchildren; a great-grandson; and a brother, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Elaine B. Little of Shelburne and Burlington, and be it further

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