

No. R-70. House concurrent resolution in memory of Representative Greg Clark.

(H.C.R.40)

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, Representative Greg Clark of Vergennes was born in Burlington, graduated from Johnson State College, and for 18 years taught social studies at Mt. Abraham Union High School in Bristol, where his specialty was the 12th grade “Age of Legality” course, and

Whereas, students at Mt. Abraham often referred to their popular teacher as “Clarkie,” a name that was bestowed with much admiration and affection, and

Whereas, since 2003, Representative Greg Clark had conscientiously represented the citizens of the Addison-3 House district, and

Whereas, as a member of the House Committee on Education, he focused his attention on ensuring that Vermont youngsters receive the best possible education from pre-kindergarten through college, and

Whereas, he exuded a joyful and friendly personality throughout the legislative day and had numerous friends among his colleagues in the General Assembly, and

Whereas, legislators appreciated his humorous presentation style during a committee or floor debate on serious public policy matters, and

Whereas, beyond his roles in the General Assembly and at Mt. Abraham, Representative Greg Clark had served as a Vergennes City Council member, as Vermont’s smallest city’s Deputy Mayor, and Chair of the Vergennes Union High School Board, and

Whereas, Rep. Greg Clark’s fraternal memberships included the Masons and the Eagles, and he worshipped at the Vergennes Congregational Church, and

Whereas, on the wintry Friday morning of November 30, 2012, this extremely popular legislator, teacher, community leader, and loving husband, father, and grandfather died tragically while traveling to Mt. Abraham to teach his classes, and

Whereas, legislative leaders from across the political spectrum were saddened to learn of the unexpected death of this dedicated member of the House of Representatives who could put a smile on everyone’s face, and

Whereas, his surviving family, which he treasured, includes his wife Eileen, daughter Gretchen and her husband Scott, son Aaron and his wife Tanya, stepdaughter Laura and her husband Jason, and seven grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its most sincere condolences to the family of Representative Greg Clark, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to his wife and children and to Mt. Abraham Union High School.