

No. R-256. House concurrent resolution in memory of Representative Lawrence E. Townsend of Randolph.

(H.C.R.188)

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, as a member of the House of Representatives closely associated with the towns in his legislative district, Representative Larry Townsend epitomized the model Vermont citizen legislator, and

Whereas, he graduated from the former Braintree-Randolph High School, earned an associate degree at Vermont Technical College, and served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, and

Whereas, after being employed at General Electric in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, Larry Townsend returned home to Randolph to embark on a 29-year career with the U.S. Post Office, and

Whereas, his community involvement included a focus on housing policy through his service on the board of the East Valley Neighborhood Housing and as President of Randolph Neighborhood Housing, and

Whereas, Larry Townsend had served as a Randolph Village firefighter, and

Whereas, the voters of Randolph elected Larry Townsend to multiple terms on both the Randolph Selectboard and the high school board, and

Whereas, in 2008, Larry Townsend successfully stood for election to the House of Representatives in a district including Randolph and nearby municipalities, and

Whereas, as a member of the House Committee on Government Operations, Larry Townsend was an important and constructive contributor in the 2012 decennial reapportionment process, and

Whereas, Larry Townsend, known for his great sense of humor, was a well-liked member across the political aisle, and his colleagues were saddened to learn of his death on June 29, 2013, and

Whereas, his survivors include his wife, Judith, sons, Tim, Jeffrey, Brian, and Jonathan, grandchildren, Morgan, Avery, Cole, Liam, and Atticus, and brothers, David, James, Rudolph, and Garry, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly expresses its sincere condolences to the family of Representative Lawrence Townsend, and be it further

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