R-3 (Special Session) 2018

No. R-3 (Special Session). House concurrent resolution in memory of *Valley Voice* publisher Cheryl N. White of Bridport.

(H.C.R.1)

Offered by: Representatives Smith of New Haven, Baser of Bristol, Conlon of Cornwall, Lanpher of Vergennes, Norris of Shoreham, Scheu of Middlebury, Sharpe of Bristol, Sheldon of Middlebury, and Van Wyck of Ferrisburgh

Offered by: Senators Ayer and Bray

<u>Whereas</u>, from her unique perspective as the publisher of the *Valley Voice* newspaper, Cheryl White reported on the kaleidoscope of daily life in Addison County, and

<u>Whereas</u>, her original association with the *Valley Voice* began as a staff member in 1968, and in 1974, upon the prior owners' retirement, she purchased the paper and headed its operations as publisher and owner for the next 44 years, and

<u>Whereas</u>, this native of Panton was born on April 8, 1950 and graduated from Vergennes Union High School in 1968, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Cheryl White oversaw an Addison County weekly newspaper with a circulation that includes thousands of faithful readers on both sides of Lake Champlain's shores, who either subscribe or regularly purchase a copy at a local newsstand, and many others who causally peruse its printed and digital pages, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the *Valley Voice* celebrates Vermont with a special community focus and affords young inspiring journalists the opportunity to read their stories in print, and

<u>Whereas</u>, she was a respected figure in Addison County whose enthusiastic journalism brought an extra sparkle of excitement and interest to the events of the southern Champlain Valley, and

<u>Whereas</u>, Cheryl White, who believed that all people are good, each day is a blessing, and tomorrow will always be better and brighter, died at 68 years of age on May 3, 2018, and her survivors include her husband, Dale Logan, her children, and her grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Cheryl N. White and to the staff of the *Valley Voice*, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the members of Cheryl White's family and to the *Valley Voice* in Middlebury.