No. R-49. House concurrent resolution in memory of Mary Theresa Ojala of Rutland.

(H.C.R.33)

Offered by: Representatives Burditt of West Rutland, Achey of Middletown Springs, Canfield of Fair Haven, Cupoli of Rutland City, Fagan of Rutland City, Harrison of Chittenden, Helm of Fair Haven, Howard of Rutland City, Jerome of Brandon, McCoy of Poultney, Nicoll of Ludlow, Norris of Shoreham, Notte of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Sullivan of Dorset, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Offered by: Senators Collamore, Hooker, and Terenzini

Whereas, Mary Ojala's exuberance endeared her to her many friends, and

Whereas, after retirement, she traveled extensively and began playing golf, swinging clubs for nine holes shortly before celebrating her 100th birthday, and

Whereas, for approximately 35 years, Mary Ojala was chair for Rutland's annual Gift of Life Marathon blood drive, and in honor of her centennial birthday, individuals donated an impressive 525 pints of blood, and

Whereas, Mary Ojala died on January 11, 2021 at 100 years of age, leaving behind three generations of descendants, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Mary Theresa Ojala of Rutland, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the family of Mary Ojala and to the Vermont Chapter of the Red Cross of Northern New England.