

State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 36

House concurrent resolution congratulating Shawna Wakeham-Smith of Shelburne on the tenth anniversary of her leadership as Director of Wish Granting at Make-A-Wish Vermont

Offered by: Representatives James of Manchester, Brumsted of Shelburne, and Lalley of Shelburne

Offered by: Senators Lyons, Baruth, Chittenden, Gulick, Ram Hinsdale, Vyhovsky, and Wrenner

Whereas, Make-A-Wish Vermont is the local chapter of a national organization dedicated to “grant[ing] life-changing wishes for children going through” major health care challenges, and

Whereas, the essence of this mission is that a granted wish inspires hope, strength, and joy in the healing process, and

Whereas, the realization of these children’s wishes can be uplifting for parents and even medical professionals, and

Whereas, for the past decade, Shawna Wakeham-Smith, the Director of Wish Granting at Make-A-Wish Vermont, has expertly and lovingly overseen the facilitation process, serving as liaison between parents, children, and the organizations and individuals whose cooperation is essential for making a child’s wish become a reality, and

Whereas, Shawna Wakeham-Smith’s abiding dedication to the details of a wish ensures that the entire process will be comforting and encouraging, and

Whereas, her exemplary combination of professionalism and compassion makes Shawna Wakeham-Smith the ideal person to serve in this pivotal role, and

Whereas, on February 24, 2023, Make-A-Wish Vermont will celebrate this wonderful Vermonter’s decade of achievement and the joy she brings into so many children’s lives, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates Shawna Wakeham-Smith on the tenth anniversary of her leadership as Director of Wish Granting at Make-A-Wish Vermont, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Shawna Wakeham-Smith and to Make-A-Wish Vermont.