

No. R-68. House concurrent resolution in memory of Barbara A. MacIntyre.

(H.C.R.45)

Offered by: Representatives Miller of Shaftsbury, Corcoran of Bennington, Fields of Bennington, Morrissey of Bennington, and Sullivan of Dorset

Offered by: Senators Campion and Sears

Whereas, Barbara MacIntyre of Bennington was a passionate civic and political leader whose devotion to improving economic conditions and social justice in Vermont and internationally was a central element in her life, and

Whereas, she was born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts and graduated from its public schools, and

Whereas, despite the challenges of being a single mother, employed full-time, first at Union Carbide and later at Energizer, Barbara MacIntyre dedicated every possible moment to her many volunteer roles, and

Whereas, Barbara MacIntyre's continuing concern for those with no place to live resulted in her serving on the board of the Bennington Coalition for the Homeless, and

Whereas, seeking to broaden the employment options for the disadvantaged, she sat on the board of the Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council, and

Whereas, she was strongly committed to the Greater Bennington Peace and Justice Center's sister-city project with Somotillo, Nicaragua, a poverty stricken community that she visited on several occasions, and

Whereas, the Bennington Mayfest, an annual street festival and celebration of spring, had no more an enthusiastic volunteer recruiter, and

Whereas, a key avenue for Barbara MacIntyre's political activism was her leadership in the Vermont Democratic Party, and

Whereas, her progressive ideals were fundamental in her work on behalf of Democratic candidates for local, State, and national office, and

Whereas, she chaired both the Bennington town and county Democratic committees, and earned the admiration and respect of both former governors Dean and Kunin, and

Whereas, in 2011, the Vermont Democratic Party recognized Barbara MacIntyre with its most prestigious honor, the David Curtis Award, and

Whereas, following Barbara MacIntyre's death on July 11, 2016 at 71 years of age, each member of the Vermont congressional delegation paid tribute to her legacy of political activism and fighting for social justice, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its condolences to the family of Barbara A. MacIntyre, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to her sons, Jeremy and James, and to her special friend, Robin LeBlanc.