

No. R-76. House concurrent resolution honoring former Shelburne Town Clerk and Treasurer Colleen Haag for her exemplary municipal service.

(H.C.R.53)

Offered by: Representatives Webb of Shelburne and Brumsted of Shelburne

Offered by: Senators Ashe, Baruth, Ingram, Lyons, Pearson, and Sirotkin

Whereas, Colleen Haag grew up on her family's Shelburne dairy farm and graduated from Champlain Valley Union High School, and

Whereas, in 1982, the voters of Shelburne elected Colleen Haag as the municipality's town clerk and treasurer, and

Whereas, Colleen Haag's outgoing personality and passion for serving others proved an ideal combination for her new position, and

Whereas, she was instrumental in establishing the Vermont Certification Program for Town Clerks and Treasurers, personally completed both courses, and later earned the International Institute of Municipal Clerks' municipal clerk certification and the more advanced master municipal clerk designation, and

Whereas, Colleen Haag's colleagues, both in-state and regionally, recognized her leadership skills, electing her respectively to terms as president of the Vermont Clerks Association in 1990 and of the New England Clerks Association in 2003, and

Whereas, her reputation for excellence spread so broadly that Colleen Haag served on several professional international committees, and

Whereas, Colleen Haag was a leading spokesperson for municipal government through her legislative lobbying, and

Whereas, in 1994, Colleen Haag earned the special distinction of being named the Vermont Clerk/Treasurer of the Year, and

Whereas, aside from attending to the various electoral, financial, municipal land record, and other administrative duties under a town clerk and treasurer's jurisdiction, Colleen Haag mentored local students as a hands-on civics teacher, and

Whereas, Colleen Haag dedicated her time and knowledge to various community endeavors, and

Whereas, after 34 years, Colleen Haag has recently concluded her duties as the full-time Shelburne Town Clerk and Treasurer, but will continue in a new part-time position as Shelburne Treasurer, and

Whereas, in recognition of her exemplary public service, the building housing the Shelburne Town Clerk's office has been named Haag Hall, and the town has established the annual Colleen Haag Public Service Award, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Shelburne Town Clerk and Treasurer Colleen Haag for her exemplary municipal service, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Colleen Haag.