

**No. R-86. House concurrent resolution honoring Dennis McCarthy for his exemplary municipal public service career.**

(H.C.R.54)

Offered by: Representatives Goodwin of Weston and Miller of Shaftsbury

Offered by: Senators Hartwell, Sears, and White

Whereas, one of Shaftsbury's leading citizens is Dennis McCarthy, who grew up in the village of North Bennington, and

Whereas, he earned a degree in administration from the College of St. Joseph when the school was located in downtown Bennington, and

Whereas, Dennis McCarthy served in the U.S. Navy, completing two tours of duty in Vietnam, and

Whereas, following in his father's footsteps, he became a plumber and operated a plumbing and heating business, and

Whereas, Dennis McCarthy's life took a new path when he stood for election to the Shaftsbury Selectboard, which he chaired for 11 years, and he also served on the Town's Planning and Zoning Boards, and

Whereas, as the civic administrative duties in Shaftsbury became increasingly complex, Shaftsbury decided that it required the services of a fulltime Town Administrator, and

Whereas, the Town of Shaftsbury did not need to look far, as Dennis McCarthy had gained invaluable practical experience and in-depth knowledge of municipal government during his service as its Selectboard Chair, and

Whereas, he loved the town of Shaftsbury, proved to be a good manager, and oversaw important infrastructure improvements, and

Whereas, in 2003, after five years as Shaftsbury Town Administrator, the challenge of directing municipal government in another community persuaded Dennis McCarthy to accept a similar post in Winhall, and

Whereas, during the past decade, Dennis McCarthy developed a record of accomplishment in Winhall, including road paving, moving the municipal government to a new town hall, and responding to the devastation of Tropical Storm Irene, but he always emphasizes that each of these town successes was a team accomplishment, and

Whereas, he is especially proud of Winhall's Police Department, in which every member is an emergency medical technician, and the operation of a fulltime transfer station with recycling facilities, and

Whereas, in 2013, this much-admired and well-liked Winhall official is concluding his municipal career and is anticipating enjoying time with his wife Marcelaine and children Sarah, Padraic, and Trent, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Dennis McCarthy for his exemplary municipal public service career, and be it further

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