No. R-76. House concurrent resolution honoring Kathleen Bartlett as an outstanding educator.

(H.C.R.57)

Offered by: Representatives Mrowicki of Putney and Deen of Westminster

Offered by: Senators Balint and White

<u>Whereas</u>, in 1971, Kathleen Bartlett earned a bachelor's degree in early childhood education at William Paterson College in Wayne, New Jersey, and she taught kindergarten for two years at St. Mary's School in Pompton Lakes, New Jersey, before relocating to Vermont, and

Whereas, in 1974, she began a six-year association with St. Michael's School in Brattleboro as a second-grade teacher, and

Whereas, in 1980, Kathleen Bartlett switched to the Putney Central School, her professional home for the next 35 years, and

Whereas, for her first nine years on the Putney Central School's faculty, Kathleen Bartlett taught third grade, and

Whereas, seeking to work with students on a more individualized basis, in 1989, she completed a master's degree in counseling and consulting at Keene State College in nearby Keene, New Hampshire, and

Whereas, on earning her graduate degree, Kathleen Bartlett embarked on a new assignment at the Putney Central School as a guidance counselor, and

<u>Whereas</u>, aside from her classroom and guidance responsibilities, Kathleen Bartlett's other education roles in Putney have included serving as a student council advisor, a new teacher mentor, an advisor to the Putney school system's middle school leadership team, and an interim school principal, and

<u>Whereas</u>, the laudatory evaluations of Kathleen Bartlett's professional performance have cited her calm manner, sound judgment, continuing ability to inspire students, and her diagnostic skills and, in sum, have described her as an educator who displays "a level of competence most teachers only strive for," and

Whereas, among Kathleen Bartlett's many community activities are her participation in Putney's Secret Santa program and the local food drive, as well as her work with the Putney Health Action Committee, and

Whereas, in the spring of 2015, Kathleen Bartlett will be concluding 35 years on the Putney School's faculty and over four decades as an exemplary teacher, guidance counselor, and educational mentor to two generations of young students, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Kathleen Bartlett as an outstanding educator, and be it further

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<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Kathleen Bartlett.