

**No. R-217. House concurrent resolution honoring the retiring educators and support staff in the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union.**

(H.C.R.165)

Offered by: Representatives Mook of Bennington, Botzow of Pownal, Campion of Bennington, Corcoran of Bennington, Miller of Shaftsbury, and Morrissey of Bennington

Offered by: Senators Hartwell and Sears

Whereas, Johnny Bushera is a dedicated custodian in the Bennington schools and is known for his vibrant laugh and sense of humor, and

Whereas, Butch Hebert is always ready to help anyone and has used his cotton candy machine for school fundraising events, and

Whereas, Nancy Hoyt is the first teacher to arrive in her building each morning and spends many hours meeting the needs of all her students, and

Whereas, Jim Derby has led the Mt. Anthony Union High School Band with much joy and has brought listening pleasure to the band's audiences, and

Whereas, Kathy Kenyon's beautiful smile lights up her classroom and the lives of her students, and

Whereas, Patti Levesque is a model high school physical education teacher and coach who exemplifies the importance of lifelong fitness, and

Whereas, Tom Sklepowicz has built bridges to his students, and

Whereas, Jill Fortney has accomplished much as an educator, facilitated the first student art exhibit at the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union, and twice traveled to Japan on an educational fellowship, and

Whereas, Jane DiSanto is a dedicated worker, team player, and school leader, and

Whereas, Jim Harwood has served in the classroom and as a central office administrator and is truly a champion for children, and his wife, Gail Harwood, is a resourceful, creative, and compassionate math teacher, and the Harwoods helped found the Lighthouse Program at Molly Stark Elementary School, and

Whereas, Barbara Marino's enthusiasm as a special education teacher has never waned, and

Whereas, Eileen Zazzaro's nurturing style has helped students achieve new literacy goals, and

Whereas, Kathi Marcoux is a thinking teacher who has served as Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, and

Whereas, in June 2013, these outstanding individuals will be concluding their administrative, teaching, or support services careers in the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors each of these employees of the Southwest Vermont Supervisory Union, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each person honored in this resolution.