

State of Vermont

House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 199

House concurrent resolution honoring Commander Frank L. Gabaree of the Vermont Detachment of the Sons of the American Legion for his outstanding leadership

Offered by: Representatives McNeil of Rutland Town, Canfield of Fair Haven, Acinapura of Brandon, Browning of Arlington, Burditt of West Rutland, Cheney of Norwich, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Donaghy of Poultney, Fagan of Rutland City, Font-Russell of Rutland City, Helm of Fair Haven, Higley of Lowell, Hubert of Milton, Jerman of Essex, Klein of East Montpelier, Komline of Dorset, Larocque of Barnet, Lawrence of Lyndon, McAllister of Highgate, McFaun of Barre Town, Morrissey of Bennington, Pearce of Richford, Perley of Enosburgh, Reis of St. Johnsbury, Savage of Swanton, Shaw of Pittsford, Smith of New Haven, Till of Jericho, Trieber of Rockingham, Woodward of Johnson and Wright of Burlington

Whereas, the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) is a service organization open to men and boys whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and were eligible for American Legion membership, and

Whereas, as an affiliate of the American Legion, SAL seeks to strengthen its parent organization's four pillars, including: preserving American traditions and values; improving the quality of life for our nation's children; caring for veterans and their families; and teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship, and

Whereas, since 2008, Frank Gabaree has served with great pride as the Commander for the Vermont Detachment of the Sons of the American Legion and its 36 squadrons, and

Whereas, under his leadership, the Vermont Detachment of the SAL has raised over \$675,000.00 for its charitable endeavors and volunteered more than 135,000 hours for worthy organizations, among which are the American Legion, the Children's Miracle Network, Special Olympics, and the Vermont Legionnaires Assistance Fund, and

Whereas, the SAL is proud to be the first veterans organization in the state to contribute funds (\$42,000.00 since 2008) to the Dodge House in Rutland, Vermont's first transitional housing program for veterans, and SAL members have also volunteered many hours of their time at the facility, and

Whereas, as Commander for the Vermont Detachment of the SAL, Frank Gabaree selected special fundraising projects, including computers and technology for Vermont Boys' State (\$10,800.00 plus); the American Legion Scholarship Fund (\$9,800.00 plus); the Vermont Veterans Home (three blanket warmers); and the American Legion Assistance Family Fund (\$7,600.00), and

Whereas, in June 2011, Frank Gabaree will conclude his third and final terms as Commander for the Vermont Detachment of the American Legion, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Commander Frank L. Gabaree of the Vermont Detachment of the Sons of the American Legion for his outstanding leadership, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Frank Gabaree and to the Vermont Detachment of the Sons of the American Legion.

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RESOLUTION HONORING COMMANDER
FRANK L. GABAREE OF THE VERMONT
DETACHMENT OF THE SONS OF THE
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STANDING LEADERSHIP**

Offered by: Rep. McNeil of Rutland Town.
Et al

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

_____, 2011

Adopted on the Part of the House

Assistant Clerk

SENATE CHAMBER

_____, 2011

Adopted on the Part of the Senate in concurrence

Assistant Secretary