

**No. R-522. House concurrent resolution honoring Walter Mandel as an outstanding community leader.**

(H.C.R.406)

Offered by: Representatives Canfield of Fair Haven and Helm of Fair Haven

Whereas, Walter (Tad) Mandel was born in Cliffside Park, New Jersey and served in the U.S. Army, and

Whereas, he relocated to the Vermont town of West Haven where his community leadership roles have been of great benefit to the local citizenry, and

Whereas, as a member of the West Haven volunteer fire department, Tad Mandel has assisted in the dousing of flames and responded to other public safety emergency calls, and

Whereas, Tad Mandel has extended his fire protection duties to include serving as deputy fire warden in the town of West Haven, and

Whereas, by virtue of being elected as a West Haven justice of the peace, Tad Mandel sits on the board of civil authority, and matters related to electoral administration and tax appeals have been subject to his close scrutiny, and

Whereas, Tad Mandel has been recognized in his community as a man of wise judgment and one who possesses the right temperament and insight to preside at town meetings, and, consequently, he has been elected to serve as West Haven town moderator, most recently in 2012, and

Whereas, local history is a topic of interest for Tad Mandel, and he serves as vice president of the West Haven Historical Society, and

Whereas, he has been involved in the leadership of St. Mark's/St. Luke's Episcopal Church located in Fair Haven and is currently a junior warden, and

Whereas, his involvement at St. Mark's/St. Luke's led naturally to his association with Fair Haven Concerned, an organization that local clergy established to assist those in need of clothing, food, medicine, or shelter or who have encountered other emergency situations, and

Whereas, Tad Mandel is a man truly dedicated to assisting the citizens of his community and the members of his church in every possible way, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Walter Mandel as an outstanding community leader, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Walter Mandel in West Haven.