

**No. R-481. House concurrent resolution honoring former Representative Jeffrey E. Young of St. Albans City for his civic and horticultural accomplishments.**

(H.C.R.407)

Offered by: Representatives Keenan of St. Albans City and Connor of Fairfield

Whereas, Jeff Young graduated from Maine's Old Town High School and the University of Maine, and

Whereas, he began his career as a law enforcement officer with the Maine State Police and later joined the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, posted initially to Texas, then as a supervisor at the Miami International Airport, and finally at the federal agency's Vermont Service Center in St. Albans, and

Whereas, since coming to St. Albans, Jeff Young has served his community performing numerous civic roles, and

Whereas, municipally, Jeff Young has been a member of the St. Albans City Council, the city's planning commission, and the board of St. Albans for the Future, and has served as a justice of the peace, and

Whereas, regionally, he has served on the Northwest Regional Planning Commission, and

Whereas, Jeff Young represented St. Albans in the General Assembly, and

Whereas, within St. Albans City, he has played an instrumental role in the planting of flowers along the Church Street side of Taylor Park, the construction of the park's fencing, and the planting of curbside understory trees in various city locations, and

Whereas, as a certified master gardener, Jeff Young has served a leadership role at the University of Vermont's Horticultural, Research, and Education Center, including as the curator of their lilac gardens and as a lecturer on and demonstrator of gardening techniques, and

Whereas, for 15 years, Jeff Young has shared his expertise in the cultivation of lilacs at Michigan's annual Mackinac Island Lilac Festival, and

Whereas, Jeff Young has been a guardian ad litem for the Franklin County Family Court and with his wife, Jan, welcomed more than 15 children into their home as these youngsters' foster parents, and

Whereas, he is an active member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church and its vestry, and

Whereas, after many years of residing in St. Albans City, Jeff and Jan Young are leaving, and their presence in the community will be missed, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors former Representative Jeffrey E. Young of St. Albans City for his civic and horticultural achievements, and be it further

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