State of Vermont House of Representatives



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House Resolution

H.R. 11

House resolution congratulating North Country Hospital on its centennial

Offered by: Representatives Page of Newport City, Batchelor of Derby, Higley of Lowell, Marcotte of Coventry, Smith of Derby, Strong of Albany, and Young of Greensboro

Whereas, as long ago as 1892, the president of the Memphremagog Hospital Clinic advocated for the creation of a hospital in Newport, and

<u>Whereas</u>, although this first proposal did not proceed, the idea remained a high priority for the growing community in Orleans County, and

Whereas, in 1917, the Newport Woman's Club, under the enthusiastic leadership of its president, Mrs. John Young, initiated a campaign to fulfill this goal, and she also served as the first president of the Orleans County Memorial Hospital Association, a support organization for this project, and

Whereas, in September 1919, the Newport Hospital Association, which became the hospital's governance organization, was incorporated, and

Whereas, Mrs. John Young donated a six-acre parcel on Longview Street in Newport, and a groundbreaking ceremony was held on May 1, 1922, and

Whereas, on July 1, 1924, the 24-bed Orleans County Memorial Hospital opened to the public, and

Whereas, by the early 1970s, this once modern hospital was antiquated, and

Whereas, after extensive fundraising and planning, the new North Country Hospital opened on January 5, 1974, on a 30-acre site on Prouty Drive, and

Whereas, in 2003, a large addition opened, featuring new emergency, outpatient, and surgical facilities, plus indoor ambulance bays, and in 2006, a new dialysis center was inaugurated, and

Whereas, North Country Hospital proudly continues to exemplify its motto, "Where caring runs deep," and

<u>Whereas</u>, in celebration of its 100th anniversary, North Country Hospital will participate in or host several community events, including a Centennial Family 5K & 10K walking and running race and an evening of Dancing through the Decades, now therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives:

That this legislative body congratulates North Country Hospital on its centennial, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Clerk of the House be directed to send a copy of this resolution to North Country Hospital.