

**No. R-147. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Stephanie Barrett for more than a quarter-century of public service excellence as a member of the Joint Fiscal Office staff.**

(S.C.R.7)

By Committee on Appropriations,

*Whereas*, Stephanie Barrett is known to legislators and staff as a cheerful, helpful, and, most importantly, knowledgeable member of the Joint Fiscal Office staff, and

*Whereas*, the expert assistance she has provided to the Senate Appropriations Committee and to the entire Senate with respect to the annual Budget Adjustment Act and Big Bill has been essential in the development and, ultimately, the approval of these essential legislative enactments, and

*Whereas*, with the utmost professionalism, she has responded to informational inquiries, explained the most obscure details and technicalities, and patiently drafted language for the committees and, subsequently, the entire Senate, and

*Whereas*, Stephanie Barrett was raised in Braintree and journeyed south to Boston College for her education, and

*Whereas*, in the summer of 1998, after working in several interim legislative staff positions, she became a full-time fiscal analyst, and her superb work resulted in an eventual promotion to the rank of associate fiscal officer, and

*Whereas*, while employed at the Joint Fiscal Office, Stephanie Barrett simultaneously earned a master's degree in business administration at the University of Vermont, and

*Whereas*, her colleagues at fiscal offices in other state legislatures and at the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) recognized Stephanie's strong leadership potential, and she served admirably as the president of the National Association of Legislative Fiscal Officers (NALFO), one of NCSL's nine professional staff associations, and on the board and executive committee of NCSL, roles that carry great responsibilities, and

*Whereas*, Stephanie Barrett is embarking on a new role for which she is eminently qualified, that of chief fiscal officer at the Department of Vermont Health Access, and she will be sorely missed at the General Assembly, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly honors Stephanie Barrett for more than a quarter-century of public service excellence as a legislative fiscal analyst and wishes her every success in her new position, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Stephanie Barrett.