

State of Vermont House of Representatives



Montpelier, Vermont

Concurrent House Resolution

H.C.R. 14

Offered by Representative Mrowicki of Putney

House concurrent resolution congratulating the Putney Library on the 20th anniversary of its current home

Whereas, a public library is a cultural, literary, and informational resource that enlightens and enriches a community, and this is certainly true in the Town of Putney, where the library's centuries of institutional history represent continuity and strength, and

Whereas, the citizens of Putney established their town's library in 1793, proceeded to incorporate it in 1800, appropriated municipal funds to this newly designated public library in 1896, and allocated town hall space for the facility starting in 1908, and

Whereas, across the decades, the Putney Library has been located at a minimum of six different locations, and its current home, opened on January 5, 2005, came to fruition due to the championship of Putney resident David Rothchild, whose vision inspired the community to raise the necessary funds, mostly from town residents, in order to construct an attractive locally designed and built facility at 55 Main Street, and

Whereas, the Putney Library serves the community's 2,600 residents, as well as patrons from surrounding towns, and it provides a safe and welcoming space that offers activities and programs for persons of all ages and interests, and

Whereas, as an educational center, the Putney Library offers lifelong learning opportunities, free and comprehensive computer service with 24/7 Wi-Fi access, and the space and opportunities for local artists to exhibit and present lectures explaining their creations, and

Whereas, the knowledgeable and congenial staff is most helpful and fosters community connection, and the library continues to serve Putney proudly and with sincere dedication, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the Putney Library on the 20th anniversary of its current home, *and be it further*

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