

**No. R-67. House concurrent resolution honoring Arthur A. Ristau of Barre.**

(H.C.R.37)

Offered by: Representatives Poirier of Barre City and Taylor of Barre City

Whereas, Art Ristau has worked as a superb journalist, public servant, and utility official, and

Whereas, he was born in Manchester, New Hampshire, attended elementary and secondary school on Cape Cod, and graduated from Boston University, and

Whereas, Art Ristau began his professional career in Massachusetts as a journalist for the Associated Press news service which subsequently designated him as its Vermont Bureau Chief, and

Whereas, in 1966, Governor Philip Hoff recognized that Art Ristau was an extremely talented individual and appointed him as his administrative assistant, and

Whereas, Art Ristau's public service in the Hoff administration in the 1960s proved invaluable when Governor Thomas Salmon selected him to serve as Secretary of Transportation in the 1970s, and

Whereas, after leaving the Agency of Transportation, Art Ristau turned his attention to municipal administration, serving as Barre City Manager during 1977–1979, and

Whereas, for a number of years thereafter, he was on the staff of Green Mountain Power Company, and

Whereas, Governor Kunin called Art Ristau back to state government, and he served ably as Commissioner of Liquor Control, and

Whereas, in 2001, Governor Dean appointed Art Ristau to the Vermont Lottery Commission, and Governor Douglas repeatedly reappointed him to successive three-year terms, and

Whereas, since 2003, Art Ristau has exercised wise judgment and leadership as the Vermont Lottery Commission Vice Chair, helping to guide the Commission's management of lottery games while simultaneously promoting responsible lottery playing practices, and

Whereas, on February 28, 2013, Arthur Ristau will conclude his term as a Vermont State Lottery Commissioner and Vice Chair, ending his illustrious public service career, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Arthur A. Ristau for his outstanding contributions to Vermont as a journalist, public servant, and utility executive, and be it further

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