

No. R-228. House concurrent resolution in memory of Michael W. Stone of Orange.

(H.C.R.189)

Offered by: Representatives O'Brien of Tunbridge, Demrow of Corinth, Graham of Williamstown, Anthony of Barre City, LaClair of Barre Town, McFaun of Barre Town, and Walz of Barre City

Whereas, Mike Stone was a leading entrepreneur and civic leader in the Barre area, and

Whereas, his mechanical skill repairing motor vehicles was second to none, as this ability dated from childhood, and

Whereas, he graduated from Spaulding High School and then worked for several local employers, always aspiring to become a commercial garage owner, and

Whereas, in 1985, this goal became a reality when Mike Stone purchased the former MacDonald's Service Station in Barre with his stepmother, Sue Stone, who was an invaluable business partner, and

Whereas, he proved an outstanding businessman, maintaining a great rapport with his customers, and was a fantastic mentor to his employees, and

Whereas, for a decade, Mike Stone served as the trail master of the Central Vermont ATV (all-terrain vehicle) Club, was the steward for 17 miles of local ATV trails, and worked cooperatively with the affected land owners, and

Whereas, Mike Stone also enjoyed other outdoor recreational activities, was a supporter of many community causes, and delighted in spending time with his family, and

Whereas, after the death of his wife, Mary Hebert Stone, in 2002, Mike Stone met Terri Crawford and they combined their families, and

Whereas, Mike Stone died in a tragic car accident on November 9, 2018, prematurely ending the life of a great Vermonter, and his survivors include his stepmother, Sue Stone, his fiancée, Terri Crawford, and his children, stepchildren, and grandchildren, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its sincere condolences to the family of Michael W. Stone of Orange, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mike Stone's family.