

No. R-247. Senate concurrent resolution honoring Dr. David Toll of St. Johnsbury for his exemplary dedication to the practice of pediatric medicine.

(S.C.R.27)

By Senators Kitchel and Benning,

By Representatives Toll of Danville, Beck of St. Johnsbury, Feltus of Lyndon, Lawrence of Lyndon, Martel of Waterford, and Willhoit of St. Johnsbury,

Whereas, David Toll's remarkable career as a St. Johnsbury-based pediatrician thrived for 64 years, and

Whereas, at 16 years of age, this Ohioan's high school principal informed David Toll that he was Harvard bound, and

Whereas, David Toll completed his medical school admission requirements at 18 years of age, but World War II military service intervened, and

Whereas, as hostilities were concluding, the U.S. military sent David Toll to medical school, and he earned his degree at Western Reserve (now Case Western Reserve) University in Cleveland, and

Whereas, upon completion of his pediatric training at Boston Children's Hospital, David Toll moved to St. Johnsbury, Vermont, and

Whereas, at the time of his arrival in 1951, David Toll was the sole board-certified pediatrician serving the Northeast Kingdom, and

Whereas, in his early years, David Toll traveled long distances to make house calls, and his practice always encompassed a large territory, and

Whereas, except for two years of military service as a medical officer during the Korean War, David Toll remained in St. Johnsbury and, starting in 1958, worked at the same Main Street office, and

Whereas, as a pathology-trained physician, he processed many medical tests that other physicians could not have completed in their own offices, and

Whereas, David Toll has been dedicated to his young patients' well-being, and

Whereas, he has been a business and civic leader in St. Johnsbury, and

Whereas, David Toll's invaluable professional associate, Bridget Toll R.N., was his long-serving professional colleague, and for 39 years has been his wife, and he is the father of Job, Abel, and Seth, and the grandfather of Ben, Alice, Kate, and Margaret, and

Whereas, after more than six decades, in November 2015, David Toll, who was featured as a WCAX television super senior, concluded his medical career, and on October 24, 2015 was honored at an open house, *now therefore be it*

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Dr. David Toll of St. Johnsbury for his exemplary dedication to the practice of pediatric medicine, *and be it further*

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Dr. David Toll.