

No. R-351. House concurrent resolution honoring Andrew A. Pallito for his exemplary leadership and wisdom as a Vermont public official.

(H.C.R.279)

Offered by: Representatives Emmons of Springfield, Batchelor of Derby, Belaski of Windsor, Connor of Fairfield, Macaig of Williston, Morrissey of Bennington, Scheu of Middlebury, and Shaw of Pittsford

Offered by: Senators Flory, Brooks, Mazza, Rodgers, and Soucy

Whereas, the State of New Jersey lost a future public servant of incomparable capability when Andy Pallito moved to Vermont, and

Whereas, he earned an accounting degree at Saint Peter's College, now Saint Peter's University, in Jersey City, New Jersey, and was employed initially as a private sector tax and financial consultant, and

Whereas, once settled in Vermont, Andy Pallito entered the public sector, working as a staff accountant at the Agency of Human Services, a position that introduced him to the many financial and operational aspects of State government, and

Whereas, Andy Pallito subsequently assumed the role of Business Manager at the Department of Environmental Conservation, for which he was honored with an employee of the year award; he then progressed to Chief Financial Officer at the Department of Corrections, where his career path led to direct operational management as the Department's successful Deputy Commissioner and later Commissioner, and

Whereas, the respect Andy Pallito earned from his professional colleagues resulted in his serving as the Northeast Association of Correctional Administrators president; and while working at the Department of Corrections, he served on the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council, and

Whereas, Andy Pallito advanced his knowledge of Vermont-based civic affairs through his completion of the Snelling Center for Leadership's educational program, and

Whereas, he left the Department of Corrections to serve in the pivotal Executive Branch position of Commissioner of Finance and Management, earning this seemingly political appointment from both Democratic Governor Peter Shumlin and Republican Governor Philip Scott, and

Whereas, since June 2017, Andy Pallito has served with distinction as the Green Mountain Care Board's Director of Health System Finances, and

Whereas, the exciting opportunity to serve as Dean of Administration at the Community College of Vermont has persuaded this outstanding public official, private airplane pilot, and avid outdoorsman to conclude his Executive Branch service and assume a new career challenge, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Andrew A. Pallito for his exemplary leadership and wisdom while serving as a Vermont public official, and wishes him every future success, and be it further

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