

**No. R-464. House concurrent resolution in memory of Allyn Seward of East Wallingford.**

(H.C.R.357)

Offered by: Representatives Devereux of Mount Holly, French of Shrewsbury and Dickinson of St. Albans Town

Whereas, Allyn Seward was closely associated with municipal governance in the town of Wallingford, where he resided throughout his life, and

Whereas, his interest in public service began at an early age when he served as a legislative page during the 1927 session of the general assembly, and

Whereas, a lifelong farmer, he offered his commonsense wisdom on many areas of concern to the local citizenry, and

Whereas, for a decade, Allyn Seward sat on the Wallingford selectboard and ably chaired this panel for three years, and

Whereas, among the other positions he held during his public service career were town lister (three years), overseer of the poor (four years), and road commissioner (two years), and

Whereas, firefighting was a responsibility which Allyn Seward viewed as an important personal obligation, and

Whereas, for 20 years, he was the capable fire warden for the town of Wallingford, and

Whereas, the voters of the Wallingford Fire District #2 elected him to the prudential committee, on which he served for 34 years including several as the chairman, and

Whereas, his hands-on fire-fighting skills were often called upon, as Allyn Seward was a member of the East Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department for 35 years, and

Whereas, in 1966 he was appointed to the Maple Grove Cemetery Association, and, four years later, he was elected president and commissioner, and he remained active in the association for the next 42 years, and

Whereas, for nearly three quarters of a century, Allyn Seward was a Master Mason of the Mount Moriah Lodge #96, and

Whereas, after a long life of farming and public service, Allyn Seward died on March 28, 2012 in East Wallingford, the same community where he had been born on June 11, 1914, and

Whereas, surviving Allyn Seward are his daughters Anne and Judy, sons Chuck and Mike, 11 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and his brother Stanley, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends condolences to the family of Allyn Seward, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to each of his four children.