

No. R-170. House concurrent resolution in memory of Robert William Kirkbride.

(H.C.R.106)

Offered by: Representative Nicoll of Ludlow

Offered by: Senators Clarkson, McCormack, and Nitka

Whereas, one of the Town of Ludlow's most esteemed and popular citizens was Robert Kirkbride, whose many kindnesses to local residents and strong work ethic were nearly legendary, and

Whereas, a Burlington native, he delayed his graduation from Cathedral High School until after his World War II U.S. Army service, became a Burlington Police officer, and then enlisted in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, and

Whereas, in 1952, Robert Kirkbride married Patricia A. Martel of Ludlow, relocated to her hometown, and his work career there, which included a variety of positions, lasted into his ninth decade, and

Whereas, he joined the Ludlow Fire Department, the Ludlow Rotary Club, and the Ludlow Knights of Columbus, his long dedication and leadership in each of these organizations was valued greatly, and the Ludlow Rotary Club dedicated a clock in downtown Ludlow in his honor, and

Whereas, Robert Kirkbride, whose contributions to the Ludlow community were extensive, died of COVID-19 on March 19, 2020, at 93 years of age, and his survivors include his children, grandchildren, and great-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 Robert William Kirkbride, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Ludlow Fire Department, the Ludlow Knights of Columbus, the Ludlow Rotary Club, and to the members of Robert Kirkbride's family.