

The Honorable Chris Christensen

The Merrimack Town Council hereby recognizes the considerable accomplishments of The Honorable Chris Christensen for over thirty years of excellent service to the Town of Merrimack and its business and residential community. Representative Christensen has been an inspiring example of a dedicated civil servant whose life has been spent improving the environment of our Town and the State of New Hampshire.

Chris Christensen has rendered service to our municipality in other positions that have significantly improved the Town of Merrimack. In 1990, he became the Town Trustee of the Trust Funds, a position he has held for more than thirty years. Chris's interests and commitment to the Town of Merrimack has taken many forms such as being a member of the Town Planning Board; working for the Town Park & Recreation Committee including as Chairman; serving as Chairman of the Merrimack 250th Anniversary Committee; and as a Member of the Board of Selectman including being Chairman. Most notably, Chris led a financial campaign which raised over \$100,000.00 that resulted in the creation of the Abbie Griffin Park and the Community Bandstand of Merrimack.

Commencing in 2000, Chris Christensen was first elected to the NH House of Representatives and was then successively re-elected by the residents of Merrimack for a total of eight terms. During his sixteen years of legislative work, Representative Christensen served as Chairman of the House Committee on Resources, Recreation, and Development which oversees New Hampshire's natural resources, conservation issues, control over water pollution, State Parks and recreational areas and other issues concerning state property development. Representative Christensen also was active on many other committees relating to environmental issues, outdoor recreation and international trade during his legislative tenure in the State House.

Chris became actively involved in multiple charitable endeavors starting with the local chapter of the Jaycees. In 1989, he joined the Merrimack Rotary Club and later received the Rotary Club President's Award in 2013-2014 for his outstanding public service. Amazingly, he has faithfully achieved 32 years of perfect attendance. Further, Chris was specially involved in the annual rabies clinic which provided a reduced cost for rabies shots for Merrimack residents that own pets. Between 2004 to 2011, he greatly contributed to the St. Joseph Community Services as a member of the Board of Directors. Thereafter in 2011, Chris was asked to serve as a director of the esteemed "*Meals on Wheels Program*" and he has also actively participated as a volunteer delivering meals throughout this past decade.

It is with a great deal of personal pride that the Merrimack Town Council commends Representative Chris Christensen for his decades of outstanding personal contributions for the betterment of the Merrimack community!

The Honorable Robert J. L'Heureux

The Merrimack Town Council hereby recognizes the considerable accomplishments of The Honorable Robert J. L'Heureux for his many years of dedicated service in multiple capacities for the Town of Merrimack. For example, NH House of Representative Robert "Bob" L'Heureux was elected to serve the district from the Town of Merrimack for twelve terms covering 24 years. This is a remarkable period of longevity.

His major and long-standing contribution to the Merrimack community has been in the realm of public service. His various public endeavors have included service as: Merrimack Selectman; Merrimack School Board Member; Merrimack Auxiliary Policeman; Merrimack Highway Safety Committee Member; Merrimack Solid Waste Advisory Committee Member; Merrimack Library Building Committee Member and Chairman of the Merrimack Cardboard Boat Races Committee. As a House representative, Bob served as both Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Fish & Game Committee during his tenure.

In addition to these substantial accomplishments to Merrimack, Bob was also the long time Treasurer & Financial Secretary for the Notre Dame Knights of Columbus and as member and Chairman of the Merrimack Crimeline.

Bob's love of the outdoors which includes hunting, fishing, boating & camping has been prominently featured monthly on the locally televised media. His television program entitled "**Outdoors with Bob**" has continuously aired for approximately 23 years on local public television. It is fair to say that Representative Robert L'Heureux has had an incredible impact on the Merrimack community.

Bob is well regarded for being very thoughtful, ever civically minded and a cracker jack with electronics, mechanical items and all types of sporting goods. It is with a great deal of personal pride that the Merrimack Town Council commends Representative Robert J. L'Heureux for his more than two decades of excellence working for the benefit of the Merrimack community!