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STATEMENT: Mayor Daniel A. Champagne **The Passing of Town Attorney Harold 'Hal' R. Cummings**

(Vernon, CT) – *"It has been a series of difficult days for the town of Vernon, and today is no exception,"* said Mayor Daniel A. Champagne. *"It is with deep sadness that I share news of the loss of town Attorney Harold R. Cummings, who passed away earlier this week."*

"To all who knew him, Hal was a gifted lawyer, historian, conversationalist, and public servant," Champagne continued. *"He served as the Town Attorney since 2007 and prior to taking on this role, Hal served on the Vernon Board of Education, the Vernon Conservation Commission and the Vernon Planning and Zoning Commission. He was also an active member other New England Civil War Museum,"* Champagne said.

"There are no words adequate enough to express the void that Hal's passing leaves in our hearts and in our Town," Champagne continued. *"He was knowledgeable, compassionate and dedicated to Vernon. His presence will be sorely missed and impossible to replace,"* Champagne concluded.

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