

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. CON. RES. 436

Congratulating Donald Andrew Hall for his selection by the Librarian of Congress as the 14th Poet Laureate of the United States and for his great accomplishments in prose and essays focusing on New England rural living, baseball, and how work conveys meaning to ordinary life.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 27, 2006

Mr. BASS (for himself and Mr. BRADLEY of New Hampshire) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Congratulating Donald Andrew Hall for his selection by the Librarian of Congress as the 14th Poet Laureate of the United States and for his great accomplishments in prose and essays focusing on New England rural living, baseball, and how work conveys meaning to ordinary life.

Whereas Donald Hall attended the prestigious Bread Loaf Writers' Conference at the age of 16 on account of his prose and short story writing;

Whereas Donald Hall served as literary editor of the Oxford Poetry Society's "Isis" and won Oxford University's prestigious Newdigate Prize for "Exile";

Whereas Donald Hall served as the poetry editor of “The Paris Review”;

Whereas Donald Hall has held Stanford’s Creative Writing Fellowship, a position in Harvard’s Society of Fellows, and a faculty position at Harvard for 18 years;

Whereas Donald Hall held the position of New Hampshire Poet Laureate from 1984 to 1989;

Whereas Donald Hall has published fifteen books of poetry including “The One Bad” (1988), “The Happy Man” (1986), and “Exiles and Marriages” (1955);

Whereas Donald Hall has also written twenty books of prose, children’s books, and plays;

Whereas Donald Hall’s most recent work is “White Apples and the Taste of Stone: Selected Poems 1946–2006”;

Whereas Donald Hall has received numerous awards including two Guggenheim Fellowships, the Poetry Society of America’s Robert Frost Silver Medal, a Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Hampshire Writers and Publisher Project, the Ruth Lilly Prize for Poetry, the National Book Critics Circle Award, the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, the Lenore Marshall Poetry Prize, and the Academy’s Lamont Poetry Selection;

Whereas Donald Hall has been nominated for a Pulitzer Prize;

Whereas Donald Hall has won a Caldecott Medal for his children’s book “The Ox-Cart Man”;

Whereas Donald Hall is a member of the Academy of Arts and Letters; and

Whereas recurring themes in Donald Hall's writings include
 New England rural life, baseball, and ordinary life: Now,
 therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That Congress congratulates Donald Andrew
 3 Hall for his selection by the Librarian of Congress as the
 4 14th Poet Laureate of the United States and for his great
 5 accomplishments in prose and essays focusing on New
 6 England rural living, baseball, and how work conveys
 7 meaning to ordinary life.

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