FRANCIS J. COLLINS

Minority Leader of the House of Representatives

FRANCIS J. COLLINS, Republican, of Brookfield, Connecticut was born in Danbury, Conn., November 20, 1933.

Attended local schools; graduated Danbury High School, 1951; attended Western Connecticut State College; graduated Miami (Ohio) University, 1955, B.S.; and received LL.B. from the University of Connecticut Law School in 1962. He is a U.S. Army veteran 1956-58.

State Representative from the 165th Assembly District, 1967, 1969 and 1971, Assistant Minority Leader 1969, and elected Minority Leader of the House in 1971. Served as Republican House member of the Commission to Revise the Criminal Statutes; member of the Legislative Management Committee; Rules Committee and Executive Nominations Committee, Republican Platform Research Committee 1968 and 1970; member Brookfield Republican Town Committee.

He practices law in Danbury and is a partner in the law firm of Cutsumpas, Collins and Hannafin, and is a member of the American and Connecticut Bar Associations. He has served as a Director of the University of Connecticut School of Law Alumni Association; past president of the Brookfield Exchange Club; former Director of the Brookfield Chamber of Commerce; former vice president of the Community Chest and was a recipient of the Jaycees Outstanding Young Man Award in 1967.

He is a Director of the Advisory Board of the Connecticut National Bank, and serves as Zoning Counsel to the Town of Brookfield.

Married to the former Dora Rencsko, he and his wife reside at Beechtree Road in Brookfield with their five children, Kevin 13, Keith 11, Kathleen 9, Kristy 8, and Kyle 5.