

**No. R-149. House concurrent resolution honoring Christine Brock of St. Albans for her professional and personal dedication to helping others improve their lives.**

(H.C.R.115)

Offered by: Representatives Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Beyor of Highgate, Connor of Fairfield, Gamache of Swanton, Keenan of St. Albans City, Murphy of Fairfax, Parent of St. Albans Town, Pearce of Richford, Rosenquist of Georgia, Savage of Swanton, and Weed of Enosburgh

Offered by: Senators Branagan and Degree

Whereas, Christine Brock is a woman whose caring compassion for improving the lives of other Vermonters is evident in both a professional and personal context, and

Whereas, for the past dozen years, she has served as the business account manager at the Agency of Human Services' Creative Workforce Solutions (CWS), and

Whereas, CWS serves as an employment gateway for individuals whose personal background may pose a challenge in obtaining employment, and

Whereas, among the persons who avail themselves of facilitation support from CWS are individuals with disabilities or chronic mental illness, veterans, immigrants, former prisoners, and Reach Up participants, among others, and

Whereas, in her role as CWS business manager, she oversees a team of community partners, assisting individuals to find work and encouraging businesses to become future employment sites for the program, and

Whereas, CWS not only facilitates job opportunities and internships but also provides expert assistance and guidance to both its clients and the businesses in meeting the many challenges that arise in developing a successful employer-employee relationship, and

Whereas, Christine Brock has a heartfelt belief that anyone desirous of working can find a suitable job and has stated that "working has the power to change people's lives," and

Whereas, in a recent newspaper interview, Christine Brock related the story of helping a young man on the autism spectrum whose prospects of employment appeared dubious, but he persevered and today is a warehouse manager, and

Whereas, the CWS success stories are only one aspect of Christine Brock's busy life, and

Whereas, for many years, Christine and her husband followed a tradition her parents started and brought many foster children into their home, adopting three, and offering a loving home environment to many more, and

Whereas, Christine Brock is now concluding her career at CWS, and her husband and she are intending to take many long road trips in a newly purchased recreational vehicle, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors Christine Brock of St. Albans for her professional and personal dedication to helping others improve their lives, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Christine Brock.