

**No. R-293. House concurrent resolution designating Thursday, February 13, 2020 as Afterschool Day at the State House**

(H.C.R.242)

Offered by: Representative Lanpher of Vergennes

Whereas, according to a Harvard University Graduate School of Education professor, children and youths from five through 18 years of age spend 80 percent of their waking time outside of school, and

Whereas, the Vermont Afterschool organization promotes programs for students during their nonschool time, and over 10,000 youngsters in the State have benefited from these parent-appreciated initiatives, and

Whereas, a national survey recorded that, of the students enrolled in afterschool programs, 68 percent improved their homework completion and class participation levels, and

Whereas, Vermont Afterschool reports that participants in afterschool programs reduce their amount of alcohol consumption and binge drinking, and

Whereas, today, February 13, 2020, representatives of afterschool programs are visiting the State House to discuss their experiences, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates Thursday, February 13, 2020 as Afterschool Day at the State House, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Vermont Afterschool, Inc.