

No. R-418. House concurrent resolution designating October 6, 2020 as Vermont Mask Day.

(H.C.R.337)

Offered by: Representatives Webb of Shelburne, Ancel of Calais, Anthony of Barre City, Austin of Colchester, Batchelor of Derby, Birong of Vergennes, Bock of Chester, Briglin of Thetford, Brownell of Pownal, Browning of Arlington, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burke of Brattleboro, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Carroll of Bennington, Chase of Colchester, Christensen of Weathersfield, Coffey of Guilford, Conlon of Cornwall, Copeland Hanzas of Bradford, Cupoli of Rutland City, Dickinson of St. Albans Town, Dolan of Waitsfield, Donahue of Northfield, Emmons of Springfield, Fagan of Rutland City, Fegard of Berkshire, Gardner of Richmond, Gonzalez of Winooski, Grad of Moretown, Gregoire of Fairfield, Haas of Rochester, Hango of Berkshire, Harrison of Chittenden, Hooper of Montpelier, Hooper of Burlington, Houghton of Essex, Howard of Rutland City, James of Manchester, Jerome of Brandon, Jessup of Middlesex, Johnson of South Hero, Killacky of South Burlington, Krowinski of Burlington, LaLonde of South Burlington, Lippert of Hinesburg, Macaig of Williston, Marcotte of Coventry, Masland of Thetford, McCullough of Williston, Mrowicki of Putney, Myers of Essex, Nicoll of Ludlow, Ode of Burlington, Pajala of Londonderry, Palasik of Milton, Partridge of Windham, Patt of Worcester, Pugh of South Burlington, Ralph Watson of Hartland, Redmond of Essex, Reed of Braintree, Savage of Swanton, Scheu of Middlebury, Seymour of Sutton, Shaw of Pittsford, Sheldon of Middlebury, Stevens of Waterbury, Sullivan of Dorset, Till of Jericho, Toll of Danville, Townsend of South Burlington, Troiano of Stannard, Tully of Rockingham, Walz of Barre City, Wood of Waterbury, and Yantachka of Charlotte

Whereas, in March of 2020, the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic disrupted our lives and communities, and the PreK–12 educational system was especially hard-hit, and

Whereas, the importance of wearing a facial covering to decrease the spread of the coronavirus that triggers COVID-19 has been medically recognized, and wearing a facial covering is crucial for the safe resumption of in-person school instruction, and

Whereas, Governor Scott amended Executive Order No. 01-20 to require the wearing of a facial covering in indoor and outdoor public locations when it is not possible to socially distance, and

Whereas, the successful in-person reopening of PreK–12 classrooms will require that all Vermonters faithfully adhere to this facial covering directive, and

Whereas, an official statewide celebration of mask use will serve as an important and timely reminder of this necessity, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly designates October 6, 2020 as Vermont Mask Day.